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TWO GRAND SERVICES

DEDICATION OF ST. JEAN BAPTISTE TOMORROW.

Solemnity of Feast of the Immaculate Conception—Beautiful Service at Immaculate Conception Church—Rev. Fr. Lawrence O. M. I., and Rev. L. J. O'Toole Will Preach—Archbishop Williams, Mgr. Pascal and Rev. C. Caisse at St. Jean Baptiste Church—Chorus of 80 Voices Will Sing—The Archbishop Will Bless the Church.

The new St. Jean Baptiste church will be dedicated tomorrow and it will be a notable occasion in the history of the local Catholic churches. The dedicating services will commence at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The Columbian orchestra will accompany the choir and render the overture Maritana, after which Archbishop Williams will bless the church. The solemn high mass will be celebrated by Mgr. Pascal and Rev. C. Caisse of Marlboro will preach the sermon. The singing will be by the choir of St. Jean Baptiste and St. Joseph's church. The Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei from Gounod's Messe Solemnelle, St. Cecilia, will be sung. At the offertory, the Rossini choir, Philias David, Jr., director will sing "Tu es Petrus" and the service will end with the grand march from Tanhauser by the orchestra.

The vesper service will commence at 6.30 in the evening, when a Wagnerian selection will be given by the orchestra. The psalms will be chanted and then Lambillotte's beautiful magnificat will be sung by the choir. Mgr. Pascal will deliver a sermon on Indian missions. During the benediction, Miss R. Caisse will sing Rossini's "O Salutaris;" Mr. H. Alexander will render Cherubini's "Ave Maria;" and the united choirs will sing the Tantum Ergo by Goeb. At the close of the service the orchestra will play the sortie, "The Columbian." There will be 80 voices in the choir with these soloists: Soprano, Miss R. Caisse; tenor, Mr. H. Alexander; basso, Mr. E. Saurin. Miss A. Alexander will be organist and E. J. Pinault, musical director.

Tomorrow the solemnity of the great feast of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the Immaculate Conception church will occur at this church. The services will be grand, the advent observance being omitted by special permission of the Holy Father, the Pope. At 10.30 a solemn high mass will be celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Wm. D. Joyce, O. M. I.; assisted by Rev. Fr. Lawrence, O. M. I., deacon; and Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Lawrence, O. M. I., will preach. In the evening solemn vespers will be sung and the sermon will be preached by an eloquent and learned preacher, Rev. L. J. O'Toole of West Newton. There will be a procession of sodalities of the church, followed by solemn benediction. A feature of the service will be the congregational singing. During the procession several hymns will be sung, and the Te Deum will be sung at the conclusion of the service.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., spiritual director, and John McLaughlin, recording secretary, have issued a circular to the members of the Y. M. C. I. notifying the members of the quarterly communion, next Sunday being that preceding Christmas.

Breakfast will be served after mass, which will be celebrated at 7 o'clock. In the evening Rev. Fr. McManus will give an illustrated lecture in the main hall of the building on his recent trip abroad."

One of the committees of the Y. M. C. I. appointed to submit a list of officers to be balloted for, at the election to be held Dec. 31, has reported as follows: Pres., Henry C. Boulger; vice-pres., John P. Buckley; recording sec., James O'Sullivan; financial sec., John J. King; trustees, Timothy O'Sullivan, John Flanagan, Joseph Cox, Daniel J. O'Brien, John McSorley, Patrick Mooney, John McManmon, Simon Cavanaugh, James McMahon; board of examiners, D. McElholm, Wm. Sullivan, Charles Tobin; literary committee, Wm. Buckley, Thos. A. Rourk, Bernard Tracey, John Radican; marshal, Michael J. Feeney; spiritual director and treasurer, Rev. John J. Ducey, O. M. I. The annual ball of the institute will be held about Feb. 9.

The Oblate Fathers of the Immaculate Conception church will hold their annual retreat at their residence next week.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of next week will be ember days.

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An Excellent Tonic
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Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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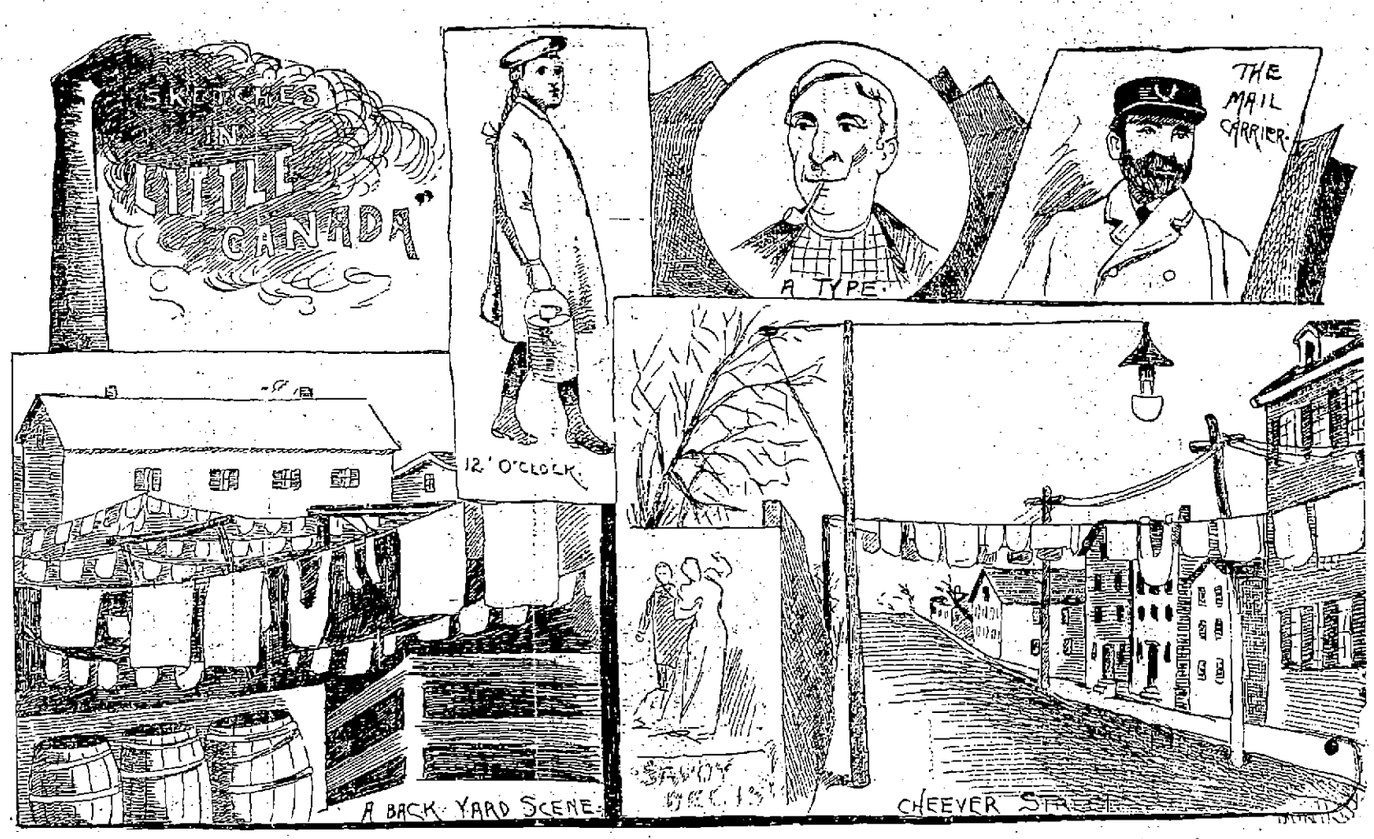

Sights and Scenes in "Little Canada."

LITTLE CANADA ROMANCE

The Sun Artist Visits This Thickly Populated District.

A Romance of Mill Life Brought to Light—A Young Frenchman Marries His Sister by Mistake and Her Identity Was Discovered at the Wedding—How it Happened.

One who has never visited "Little Canada," that densely populated portion of our Spindle city, has but a vague idea of the phases of life which may be observed there.

Cramped and dingy dwellings afford shelter to this conglomerate mass of humanity. Squalor in certain parts of it is prevalent and the rickety old tinder boxes seem tottering in despair.

But little language is heard except the mother tongue of the French Canadian which is accompanied by numerous gestures of explanation. Indeed so essential are they that I doubt if a Frenchman could talk if his hands were tied.

Every day seems to be wash-day in Little Canada, for the back yards are a perfect network of clothes lines filled with the rough raiments of the laborer and his family. Nor do the thrifty house wives confine their lines to back yards, for across the black muddy streets even are stretched their calicos, hose and similar paraphernalia, fresh from the tub.

It is said that this five acres of land is the most densely populated area of its size in the United States and when I had seen it all I did not feel like contending that such was not the case.

Uncle Sam has to employ a French Canadian Mail carrier here, for a Yankee to wrestle long with their cognomens would be a fit subject for the mad-house.

"Little Canada" has her own stores, doctors and undertakers. "Little Canada" has her little romances too, and in consequence she has her tragedies.

It may seem strange but, nevertheless, the story which I am about to tell, while savoring of fiction, is true. I had known Armand Lambert for some time, a bright, handsome French lad of twenty who with his father and mother had left their little Canadian farm a dozen years ago. They came to Lowell where work in the great mills afforded that humble living with which they were satisfied. He often told me of his Canadian home as he remembered it, and once he had spoken of a sister, four years younger than himself. He talked to me in his own tongue for I had studied French and these frequent chats helped me wonderfully in understanding the ordinary conversation! But that has nothing to do with the story.

His sister was four years old when the family emigrated to the States. They came in a stuffy emigrant car to Wells River, where they were obliged to wait several hours before another train brought them down into the home which they had not seen but had chosen. And here is where the sad part of the story begins. From that day dates the appearance of the cloud of affliction which for twelve years has hung over the little family in their dingy apartments on Aiken street. This is how it happened. Armand, just like every boy, was throwing stones into the black waters which flow nearly up to the railway platform at Wells River. Pierre Lambert had nonchalantly scratched a match on the caboose of his homespun pants, lighted his pipe and had then sat down on a baggage truck to smoke.

The little girl had tired of playing with the locket which hung about her neck, and had been comfortably ensconced in a depot settee to sleep, while Madame Lambert watched Armand throw stones into the water.

What happened then can be told in less words than Armand used in telling me. The south bound train dashed into the depot, the mother in the confusion boarded the train, thinking Pierre had the child. Pierre didn't understand it that way, and so he got aboard. Armand was old enough to look out for himself. But the little girl!

The train started before they were aware of their misfortune. Madame wailed. Pierre gesticulated wildly to the conductor, and Armand cried because his mother did.

But the conductor couldn't understand French. He punched the two tickets which Pierre presented and felt like punching Pierre for acting like a crazy man. They never heard from their child again.

Six months ago Armand told me that he was in love. The day before yesterday he was married to a pretty French girl named Marie. She worked in a Lawrence mill. I can't write her last name, for I am not far enough along in my study of the language. I had an invitation to the wedding, but could not go; so that evening I called on my friend and his wife. Armand and she were sitting close together on a low seat. Madam Lambert was vigorously punching her fire in the old stove, and Pierre was drawing solemnly at the old pipe he had smoked in Canada.

Armand and his wife seemed to be very happy. She was shy and toyed nervously with a chain which hung about her neck. "We are going to have our pictures taken tomorrow," said Armand, "and Marie has a locket for them, and we can always, in years to come, see how we looked when we were married. Marie gave a little pull at the chain and out popped a locket from her bosom. Armand's mother took the locket excitedly in her hand. She screamed; the tears came into her eyes and seizing Marie in her arms she cried "Armand you have married your sister."

I withdrew unnoticed. Pierre had dropped his pipe in consternation, madam still held her daughter in her arms. Armand and Marie were weeping. Perhaps they wept for joy at the re-union. Perhaps they grieved at marriage ties so quickly severed. Which I know not.

A HEAD ALL ROUND.

We are ahead all around on Women's Shoes, but we make the same claim for our Men's Department.

If you'd come in, look at our display this month, you would be just as enthusiastic as we are.

The variety in shape, the variety in style, and the variety in color. It is a revelation to one who is not posted on footwear this season.

Don't imagine shoes are beneath any one's notice simply because they are under our feet. That is why we have Cushion Sole Boots for Ladies'. In appearance they resemble Cork Sole Boots, but they are better. They are flexible and a non-conductor of heat and cold. Cushion Sole Boots supply all the requirements of health, handsome in form, style and finish, and unexcelled for ease and grace in walking. Sold in Lowell only by

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THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

The Bohemian Burlesquers at Music hall are giving a rattling good performance. Their musical skit, "In Bohemia," is entertaining, the farce, "The Turkish Bath," is funny, and the olio is good. In this appear the Hill sisters, singers and dancers, Phil and Hattie Mills, a Dutch comedy sketch team; Mae Lowery, a pleasing singer; Billy Van and Viva Nobriga, with a pleasing skit; and Jere Mahoney, a singer of descriptive song.

Among the best things in the performance are Miss Nobriga's singing, in true coster dialect, of Chivalier's famous "Knocked 'em in the Old Kent Road," and the Cowboy Quartette in a cowboy madrigal, "Wot t'ell."

Monday, Dec. 14, for three nights at Music hall will be presented for the first time at popular prices, the sensational comedy drama "Kidnapped." Mr. D. K. Higgins is the author and also an capable actor, who has prospered well for several years, throughout the country in sterling plays, as the hero of which he has become popular with many audiences.

Mr. Higgins as the German Dude is very clever. Officer McMooney, his wife, daughter, and the latter's young man, the dude, figure prominently in the piece, and their domestic life, while not one of unclouded joys is laughable to see. "Kidnapped" should draw full houses at every performance.

WHAT NEXT?

Republicans Will Ask Legislature to Amend Police Bills.

Another surprise was the re-election of Mayor Courtney in Lowell. As a result of this it is asserted in some quarters that the citizens of Lowell will ask that the Lowell police bill be amended so as to make it like those of Boston and Fall River, as as, far as appointment by the Governor is concerned. The designs of it would be to prevent unwise changes in the board of political purposes.—Citizen.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

GILL—The funeral of Mary Gill took place this afternoon and service was held at St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. McManus officiating. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery.

McNAMARA—The funeral of Winnie McNamara occurred this afternoon and the remains were taken to St. Peter's church where service for the dead was held. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Cavanaugh, tailor, has just get out two original style garments. Gentlemen's smoking jacket, made out of dark green velveteen plush, cut seamless with Shaw collar, lined with plaid Scotch goods; when reversed makes a walking sack coat for street wear. Ladies' box reefer, cut seamless with only one seam in the back, made of dark green montinac edges corded with dark green velvet cuffs, military collar, silk lined. Latest fad of the day.

Why Not?

If you are economizing why not look over your printing bills and see if you are not paying too much for printing? Call at this office and get prices on your work and see if we cannot save money for you.

SIMON J. O'CONNELL DEAD

THE WELL KNOWN FIREMAN PASSES AWAY.

An Attack of Pneumonia the Cause of Death—Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon.

The many friends of Simon J. O'Connell, one of the best known firemen in this city, will be pained to hear of his death which occurred last night at 11 o'clock, after an illness of but two days. Mr. O'Connell was about the city on election day in apparently good health

SIMON J. O'CONNELL.

and did not feel unwell until Wednesday when he complained of a bad cold. Pneumonia set in and despite the efforts of the physicians the consequence was death.

Simon O'Connell was one of the best known and liked men in this city. He was 45 years of age and a native of the city. In his younger days he was very prominent in social and political influence was much sought after by those who knew his worth. Mr. O'Connell was a regular fireman attached to Engine 1 and was also a member of the Veteran Firemen and never missed a squirt. Wherever he went he was a leading spirit, for a hale person well met, an honest, straightforward man, and a true friend under all circumstances, he was beloved by all who knew him and his death will be widely mourned.

He is survived by six brothers, the most prominent of them being Very Rev. Dr. O'Connell, rector of the American college at Rome, and the others are Edward, captain of Hose 7; Richard, driver of Hose 1; John, a member of the police department; Luke and Mathew O'Connell, all well known and respected citizens, and two sisters, Miss Julia O'Connell and Mrs. Henry Hatch, also of this city. To them is extended the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends.

The funeral will occur tomorrow afternoon from his late home on Fay street at 3 o'clock and will be attended by the fire department and the veteran firemen. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

SACRED HEART FAIR

To Open at Huntington Hall Tomorrow Night.

A fair of one week for the benefit of the Sacred Heart church will open with a grand concert at Huntington hall tomorrow night.

The best talent of the Catholic choirs of the city will appear and a delightful program is assured.

Ringing

Noises in the ears, sometimes a roaring, buzzing sound, or snapping like the report of a pistol, are caused by catarrh, that exceedingly disagreeable and very common disease. Loss of smell or hearing also results from catarrh. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, is a successful remedy for this disease, which it cures by purifying the blood.

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Was it a fit of the blues that led the Nashua Telegraph to be printed in blue ink?

The Venezuelan question is settled. Now the Cuban trouble should be wound up.

Mad dogs, anarchists and assassination cranks should stand equally before the law in this country.

At the present rate of A.P.A. evanescence, the state secretary and president will soon be on their uppers.

In Taunton caucus nominations did not count. All successful candidates ran on independent tickets.

The five bolting silver senators are of opinion that they will fare best by holding aloof from their former associates.

The Sultan's wrath will not frighten Uncle Sam. It is high time that the Eastern question were brought to a crisis.

Alfred Leblanc in a card of thanks to those who supported him proclaims himself still a republican. This is like turning the other cheek to his smiter.

The salary of purchasing agent has not yet been fixed and it seems that as the office will not exist until after January first, it might then be time enough to fix the salary.

Some of our gold bug contemporaries are saying real smart things of Mr. Bryan but the fact remains that history has no account of such a campaign as conducted mainly by McBryan in person.

Bryan's account of his "First Battle" should be interesting. His second battle for the presidency will probably be more successful. The people will then be better educated upon the money question.

Maceo has been reported dead for the seventh or eighth time. He will again be resurrected and will yet make Weyler tremble. Maceo is led on in his warfare with the Spaniards by the memory of nine brothers who died that Cuba might be free.

It is an unusual occurrence to hear a priest request his congregation to pray for a Protestant pastor. That is what Fr. Ducey, a distinguished divine, did last Sunday in behalf of Rev. Dr. Houghton, an Episcopal minister of Brooklyn, who is very ill.

The bill passed by the national house to put the national capital under prohibition is idiotic. Does anybody suppose that any such law will prevent the people from getting drink in Washington. The bill will probably never become law, but if it should it will be speedily repealed.

The Fall River Globe thus sizeth Hanna's pull on the Major:

"Hanna alone will decide," says an exchange, "whether or not he will enter McKinley's cabinet." We guess that's right, and we wouldn't be surprised if he, also decided this question for the other fellows who are aspirants for preferment in this line.

The Mail is now telling how much it did for no-license and how very intolerant of that policy its contemporaries are. The Mail was in favor of both sides. It was directly for no-license, indirectly for license, and did five times as much for its indirect policy as for the other. The Mail is true to neither.

The opinion of B. D. O'Connell, Esq., on the meaning of the revised charter as given at length in another column will make interesting reading. He demonstrates by a correct process of legal ratiocination that after January, Mayor Courtney will have the power of appointing the heads of departments.

The Taunton Herald has the following in which we heartily concur:

There is one feature of the opening of congress that should be abolished and that is the giving of flowers to the senators and representatives. These flowers are not tributes from an admiring public, as many suppose, but are the gift of the clerks and pages who feel obliged to buy them in order to "keep in" with their employers. The congressmen do not need the flowers and most of them do not want them, and it is both wrong and foolish that they should be given out of the hard-earned wages of the employes.

LICENSE TROUBLE IN BOSTON.

Boston has had a great license scare, viz., a scare among the friends of licance and all on account of the action of the police commission in transferring licenses from the business sections of the city to the residential districts.

The no license people were working up a great sentiment in their favor, when Gov. Wolcott interfered and asked the police commission to define their policy on this question.

The result is that there will be no more transfers and Boston will have license, at least for another year.

Some of the extremists, however, will have a bill in the next legislature for ward option, which would have the effect of concentrating the business in spots and greatly multiplying its evils.

the ghastly terror of consumption stares a man in the face who neglects a cold.

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It's so simple to get rid of a cough or throat trouble by Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Acts like magic. Sold by druggists.

Pike's Toothache Drops cure in one minute.

WEYLER IS BACK

After a Vain Search for Maceo.

HE IS GREETED WITH ENTHUSIASM

On His Arrival at the Cuban Capital.

Habana, Dec. 12.—Captain General Weyler arrived once more in this city at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon on horseback, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Escribano and others of his staff, and by a cavalary escort.

The streets of Habana were thronged with people, and the houses of the town had been gaily decorated with bunting in anticipation of the captain general's return. The Plazas Armas in front of the captain general's palace was packed with a vast concourse of people.

The Marques Ahumada, vice governor general, accompanied by the colonel of his staff, met Captain General Weyler at the entrance of the palace. Immediately after entering the palace General Weyler appeared on the balcony bowing his acknowledgements to the vivas which the multitude in the square were shouting for Spain, Spanish Cuba, the king, the queen, the army, the navy and the volunteers.

General Weyler made a brief address, in the course of which he said: "I have only directed. The army has done all."

Various delegations, both civil and military, were received later by General Weyler at the palace, and they offered their congratulations upon the outcome of his operations in Pinar del Rio. Marques Ahumada also offered his congratulations upon the death of Maceo. General Weyler responded that the credit for the combination which had resulted in the fall of the Cuban chief was all due to Marques Ahumada, but the latter said he had only seconded his chief's plans.

The city was gaily decorated and illuminated in honor of the captain general's return.

There has been another attack by an insurgent band on the town of Guanabacoa, in which the insurgent leader Angueren was wounded, The attack was repulsed without serious damage.

Flurry at the Palace.

Cincinnati, Dec. 12.—A special to The Commercial Tribune from Key West says: An engagement has been reported in the west of Habana, 20 miles out, between large forces of the Cuban guerillas and a Spanish column. The details are not known, but an unusual flurry at the palace yesterday gave currency to the belief that the insurgents gained the day.

Women Deprived of Suffrage.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 12.—Owing to a controversy between the board of registrars and the assessors of this city, more than 300 names have been omitted from the lists of women voters, and that number will be deprived of the privilege of voting at next Tuesday's election. The registrars claim that a new list of this year's voters has been sent to the assessors, but the assessors claim that they have not received it. The registrars have refused to make out a duplicate, saying they have fulfilled the requirements of the law. The assessors say they have nothing but last year's lists. As many whose names were on last year's lists have moved, and many new voters have registered, the number of those who will be unable to vote is estimated at more than 300.

Trouble Over Military Matters.

Cleveland, Dec. 12.—On Monday Governor Bushnell will be officially requested by the Fifth regiment, Ohio National Guards, of this city, to order a military court to inquire into the proceedings of all the National Guard organizations in Cleveland, including cavalry and artillery, and to ascertain what was done with $9500 turned over to Adjutant General Axline by the Cleveland centennial committee for use at the military encampment in this city last summer. The trouble started when the Chamber of Commerce sought to aid the regiment by appointing a commission to collect and distribute funds for its maintenance.

Body of Patrick Connell Found.

Providence, Dec. 12.—The body of Patrick Connell, who had been missing for a week, was taken from the river yesterday afternoon. His head and right arm were missing, and while there is a murder theory, it is quite probable that the propeller of a large steamer had struck the body. Two men who were rowing on the river Thursday reported having seen a "floater," but before they could reach it a steamer passed by and the body disappeared. Connell drew his wages and was last seen after drinking in a saloon.

Condensed Milk Factory Opened.

Whitefield, N. H., Dec. 12.—The White Mountain Condensed Milk company opened its factory here yesterday and began operations. The factory is the third largest of its kind in New England, and has a capacity of a carload a day. Milk will be received from the farms along the line of the Maine Central and Boston and Maine railroads, besides many places having no railroad connection.

TIRED MOTHERS find help in Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives them pure blood, a good appetite and new and needed STRENGTH.

CONSCIENCE WORRIED HIM.

To Escape the Silent Monitor George Erb Confesses That He Is a Murderer.

Harrisburg, Dec. 12.—George Erb, aged 56 years, confessed to the police yesterday afternoon to the murder of a man named Edward Nutter, last February, in Fort Smith, Ark. Erb was driven to the confession by his conscience worrying his so that he could not rest. Immediately after having confessed he was sent to jail.

Erb has been in Harrisburg several days and yesterday afternoon he proceeded to the mayor's office, that he might give himself up and be relieved of the secret which he has been carrying for so many months. He originally came from Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, and went west some years ago, where he lived for some time, and met a woman named Miss Ella Hicks.

Erb and Miss Hicks soon drifted to Fort Smith, Ark., and while boarding at a hotel met Edward Nutter. It did not take them long to learn that the stranger had over $100 in his possession. This Erb and Miss Hicks resolved to secure, and a dose of poison was given to Nutter. The money secured, they immediately left for Memphis, where they lived together, and shortly afterward learned that Nutter had died from the effects of the poison. This information caused Erb much uneasiness, and he found it impossible to remain with the woman who had assisted him in the poisoning. Accordingly he left Memphis and wandered about the country, finally arriving in Harrisburg.

District Attorney Detweiler will investigate the case. Mayor Patterson first thought poesibly the man was only trying to secure transportation to Memphis, but it soon developed that he was sincere in what he told. Worry compelled him to confess, and he declares that he wants to be punished for his wrongdoing.

Erb is a stonecutter by trade. He says he intended only to give Nutter "knock-out drops," and never thought for a moment of killing him. Miss Hicks is still in Memphis, having recently written to Erb's brother in Springfield, O.

Old Landlord No More.

Saco, Me., Dec. 12.—Colonel Silas A. Gurney, one of the oldest and best known of hotel proprietors in New England, died suddenly yesterday afternoon of neuralgia of the heart. His age was 68 years. When a young man he engaged in the grocery business here, and later became proprietor of York hotel. When this hotel was burned he went to Boston and assumed management of the Tremont House, and later the Revere House. Owing to poor health he retired from business in Boston about a dozen years ago. For several years he managed the Mount Mansfield House in the Green mountains, and had charge there when that house was burned several years ago. Of late he has spent his summers at Bay View and his winters at the Fifth Avenue hotel, New York. He leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Edward De Lima of New York city.

Will Oppose Gompers' Re-election.

Cleveland, Dec. 12.—The Cleveland delegates to the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which will meet in Cincinnati next week, will use their influence toward the defeat for re-election of the president, Samuel Gompers. The bicycle workers, electrical workers, shipbuilders' helpers and bricklayers have all so instructed their delegates. The cause given is that Mr. Gompers has so long been at the head of the federation that he is too conservative, whereas occasions often arise calling for aggressive action.

Hubert Crackenthorpe Missing.

London, Dec. 12.—The Chronicle records the mysterious disappearance in October of the author, Hubert Cracken- October of the author, Hubert Cracken- is feared that he has met with an accident or foul play.

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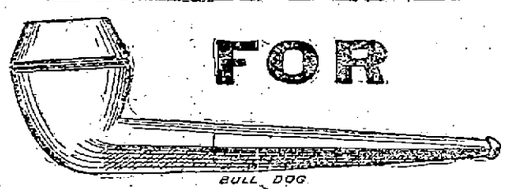

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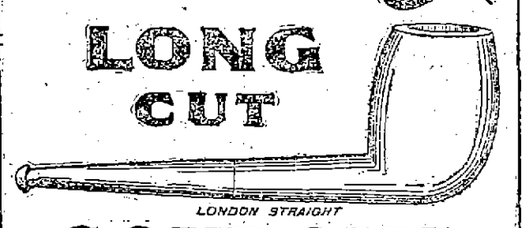

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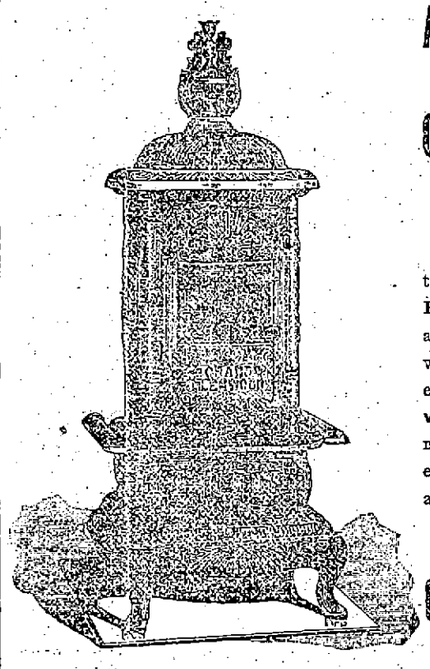

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For Lawrence, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.03, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.03, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.50, 8.50, 8.59, 9.25 a. m.; 12.03, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.03, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Salem and Lynn, 12.03, 5.10 p. m.

For Newburyport and Amesbury, 6.50 a. m. 12.03, 2.30, 4.05, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.03, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 6.30 p.m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.03, 4.05 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Salmon Falls, Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.50, 8.30 a.m.; 12.03, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 8.30 a.m.; 12.03, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 8.30 a. m; 12.03, 5.10 p. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and way stations, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Skowhegan and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., and the Provinces, 5.10 p. m., except Saturday. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, 8.30. a. m., 5.10 p. m. (5.10 doesnot run Saturdays); SUNDAY, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (per steamer), on Mondays and Fridays, 12.03 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Rockland), Tuesdays and Friday at 5.10 p. m.

†Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

Southern Division.

On and After Oct. 4, 1896, Trains Leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as Follows:

For Boston, 5.45, 6.30, †6.50, *7.45, *8.50, 9.00, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, *3.00, 4.25, *5.35 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains Leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.42, 6.33, †6.52, 7.01, 7.18, *7.27, 7.33, *7.48, *8.57, 9.03, *9.50, 11.03, 11.42 a. m., 12.16, 1.43, *3.03, *3.55, 4.00, 4.28, 5.22, 5.28, 6.21, 7.51 p. m. SUNDAYS, *7.18, *7.27, 8.48, *9.19 a. m., 4.25, 5.38 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.50, 7.01, 7.33, 7.55, 11.00 a. m.; 1.43, 4.28, p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m., 4.25, 5.38 p. m.

*Express. †Via Bedford.

For Lawrence, 6.30, 10.00 a. m; 4.15 p. m.

For Salem, and Way Stations, 7.33 a. m.; 1.58, 5.55 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.03, 5.00 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS 2.15 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.13 a. m.; 1.00, 3.43, 5.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro', Bennington, Ullsboro' and Keene, 9.13 a. m. and 5.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Greenfield, 2.00 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40 9.13, 9.40, 10.00 a. m; 12.03, 1.00, 1.40, 3.43, 5.00, 6.17, 8.13, 8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 10.00 a. m. (to Nashua only) 3.08 a.m., 2.00, 6.02, 8.12, 8.40 p.m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.13, 8.40 a. m; 12.03, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, †8.13 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Charlestown Junction—7.40, 9.13 a. m; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville via Wells River—3.40 a.m; 1.40, †8.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Montreal, Essex Junction, Burlington and St. Albans, via Central Vermont line—9.40 a. m.; 12.03, †8.13 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line—9.40 a. m.; †8.40 p. m.

Quebec Express via Plymouth and Sherbrooke—1.40, 8.40 p. m., daily except Sunday.

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A SUDDEN DEATH

James R. Hendrick Passes Away in a Cab

WHILE ON HIS WAY TO HIS HOME.

Deceased Was Prominent in Railroad Circles.

Boston, Dec. 12.—J. R. Kendrick, third vice president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, with headquarters at the Park square station, this city, died in a cab on his way to his home on Newbury street just before 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rheumatism of the heart was the cause.

The fact of Mr. Kendrick's death was not learned until the cabman opened the carriage door to permit his passenger to alight.

Mr. Kendrick's private secretary states that his superior was apparently as well as ever when he left the station for his home. A physician was summoned and he pronounced the cause of death to have been rheumatism of the heart. Mr. Kendrick lived with two nieces, his wife having died two years ago.

Mr. Kendrick has been associated with railroading in New England many years, and with the reamagement of the Old Colony road since 1871. During his long service he had much to do with the remarkable development of the road, of which he was either general superintendent or general manager from 1871 to the time of the lease by the New York, New Haven and Hartford, when he was made third vice president.

Mr. Kendrick was a native of Lebanon, N. H. In June, 1852, he commenced railroad work in the superintendent's office of the Sullivan railroad at Charlestown, N. H. Shortly after Mr. Kendrick went to the Vermont Central railroad—in November of the same year—and filled the position of paymaster, which he retained up to November, 1854. At this date he accepted a position on the Concord railroad at Concord, N. H., filling several important offices.

Then his service was secured by the Boston and Lowell railroad as general freight agent, and freight agent at Boston, up to June, 1866; and then he returned to Concord, N. H., and assumed the office of general superintendent of the Concord railroad.

In June, 1866, there was a general desire on the part of the south to reconstruct the southern railroads and extend the lines projected before the opening of the war. The Andersons and Craftons and the Averys had passed out of southern knowledge. The most important work of railroad reconstruction at the south at this time was the opening of the line between Mobile and New Orleans. General George Stark, then of the Boston and Lowell and the Lowell and Nashua railroads, at once recommended Mr. Kendrick. Mr. Kendrick went, and in November, 1870, assumed the position and did his work well.

After finishing this he returned to his northern home, and was offered the superintendency of the Northern Pacific, the superintendency of the Connecticut and Passumpsic and that of the Maine Central, all of which he declined, but when his old friend, Governor Onslow Stearns, was called to the presidency of the Old Colony railroad in 1871, Mr. Kendrick was made superintendent.

In 1893, when the Old Colony and the New York and New Haven railroads were consolidated, Mr. Kendrick was at once made vice president of the Consolidated, having charge of the Boston end of the line, including the boat service.

The Amsden Plant Sold.

Penacook, N. H., Dec. 12.—H. H. Amsden & Sons' furniture manufacturing plant here was sold last night by the assignee, John C. Pearson of Concord, to Pajhro D. Pike of Boston at private sale. Mr. Pike and his associates, who have formed a company, will at once fit up the plant for the manufacture of wood and metal goods. From 75 to 150 people will be employed.

Sullivan Fell From the Roof.

Boston, Dec. 12.—The finding of Daniel Sullivan's hat upon the roof of the house where he lived at South Boston has convinced the police that the man who was found lying in the street Wednesday evening, bruised, with broken bones and nearly dead, sustained his injuries, which resulted in his death, by falling from the roof, and not in a street fight as was at first believed.

Autopsy on Mrs. Welsh's Body.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 12.—An autopsy was held here yesterday over the body of Mrs. Mary Highland Welch, who died in the insane asylum at Augusta Thursday, but the result will probably not be made public at present. Thomas J. Welch, husband of the dead woman, came home yesterday morning. He was intoxicated, and has been arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Non-Union Man Assaulted.

South Framingham, Mass. Dec. 12.—A non-union man named Nelson Pierce, who is employed at the shoe factory of Gregory Shaw & Co., having begun work since the recent strike was started, was assaulted and severely beaten and kicked by three men at noon yesterday. The men escaped, but Pierce says he can identify them.

Annie Kervan Returns Home.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Miss Annie Kervan, who was said to have eloped from Melrose last Friday with John Barmer, a married man, has returned to her home. She denies that she went away with Barmer, and says she spent the past week at the home of her cousin in Yonkers, N. Y.

Diphtheria Epidemic Spreads.

Providence, Dec. 12.—The diphtheria epidemic made a fresh start yesterday with 10 additional cases and two deaths, making a total of 30 cases in three days. The health officers say that the carelessness of afflicted families is the cause for the spread of the infection.

Not Engaged to Lizzie Borden.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 12.—Orvin A. Gardner of Swansea, whom rumor says is engaged to be married to Lizzie A. Borden, who was tried for murder and found not guilty, emphatically denies that the published stories are true.

She Had Been Intoxicated.

Providence, Dec. 12.—Annie Mudge, aged 30 years, while attempting to board a barge on the water front yesterday afternoon, fell from the gangplank into the water. Although several men fished for her with boathooks, she drowned before their eyes. She had been intoxicated previous to her death.

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SULTAN IS MAD

He Wants Pres. Cleveland to Apologize.

BUT HIS RAGE SCARES NOBODY HERE.

He Says He Will Recall the Turkish Minister.

New York, Dec. 12.—A special to The World from Washington says: President Cleveland has been called to account by the Sultan of Turkey. An emphatic protest has been made by the Turkish government against the language used in the president's message to congress respecting the massacre of the Armenians and the general conduct of the government toward the Christians in the empire.

The situation is said to threaten the rupture of the diplomatic relations between the United States and Turkey. Mustapha Bey, the Turkish minister, it is rumored at the state department, has intimated that if some amend is not made by the president he will be obliged to ask for his papers and will return to Constantinople.

The deep displeasure of the sultan was made known to Secretary Olney on Thursday by Mustapha Bey in accordance with a cablegram received by him on Wednesday from his home government.

American missionaries are also accused by the Turkish government of inciting the subjects of the sultan to sedition.

Will Buy Inaugural Gowns.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Mrs. William McKinley arrived in Chicago over the Pennsylvania road yesterday. She was accompanied from Canton by Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette McWilliams of Chicago. After telegraphing her husband of her safe arrival she was driven to the McWilliams residence. Her visit here is for the purpose of securing a much needed rest after the long strain of the late presidential campaign, and no public receptions have been planned. During her stay here, Mrs. McKinley will do her Christmas shopping and buy her inaugural gowns. There is a probability of President-elect McKinley coming to Chicago in about a week and accompanying his wife back to Canton, though this has not been fully decided upon.

New History of Modern Times.

London, Dec. 12.—The Athenaeum announces today that Lord Acton has undertaken to edit for the Cambridge university press a 12-volume history of modern times, beginning with the renaissance. Each subject is to be assigned to a competent specialist. For example, W. E. H. Lecky is to write on the reign of George IV, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley on Napoleon in Egypt, Payne on the discovery of America, Professor Frederick Pollock on the results of international law, etc. The contributors are to include James Bryce, Professor Flint, John Morley, Professor Creighton, Professor S. R. Gardiner, Professor Hutton, Professor Jebb and others.

Filibuster Dauntless Seized.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 12.—The schooner Dauntless, that has achieved such a reputation as a filibuster, has been seized by the government on complaint of the Spanish consul that she was contemplating another expedition. Her papers were taken away and an officer from the Boutwell put on board. On demand of Owner Elsbee's lawyer, her papers were returned, but he was informed that she could not leave the harbor until he had made affidavit that she was not going on any expedition, save with a revenue officer on board. Elsbee intimates that the collector here will be sued, as also the captain of the Boutwell for seizure.

National Good Roads Congress.

New York, Dec. 12. — The National Good Roads" congress will meet in Orlando, Fla., Feb. 2, 1897. The executive committee, composed of Messrs. O'Neal, Palmer, Pell-Clarke, Gore, Jackson and Cheney, are putting forth their best efforts to make the congress a success. They are sending invitations signed by Mahlon Gore, the mayor of Orlando, to the governors, mayors and other prominent persons all over the United States. The formal invitations extended to other state governments and to the national government will be issued from the office of the governor of Florida.

Salary Grab Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Representative Boatner of Louisiana has introduced a bill increasing the salary of the speaker of the house from $8000 to $10,000, and of senators and representatives from $5000 to $7000.

Ten Thousand People Starving.

London, Dec. 12.—An Odessa despatch to The Daily News says that there are reports there of famine in the Amur districts, and that 10,000 people are starving there.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

ON CIVIL SERVICE

Reference to Bryan in the Resolutions.

THE PLANK WAS LATER WITHDRAWN.

Praise For Pres. Cleveland and Mr. McKinley.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—There was a heated discussion at the afternoon session yesterday of the National Civil Service Reform league over one plank in the resolutions when they were offered by Chairman Bonaparte. The plank which caused the trouble was as follows: "The ignominious and well-merited defeat of the Democratic party at the polls at the recent election is a source of gratification."

There were a half dozen delegates on their feet, scrambling for recognition before the last word was out of the speaker's mouth. Colonel Ela of Chicago asked that the paragraph be stricken out, as he knew several persons who voted for William J. Bryan for president who were in hearty accord with civil service. N. H. Davis of Cincinnati also opposed the objectionable plank. The resolutions were finally referred back to committee, and when they came before the convention again the obnoxious paragraph had been stricken out. The resolutions adopted are as follows:

1. The National Civil Service Reform league, assembled in this, its 16th annual meeting, is compelled to notice the fact that during the past year, for the first time since its organization, its principles were openly repudiated and a revival of discarded abuses threatened in the platform put forth by a national convention and in the public declarations of a candidate for the presidency. The league cordially endorses the protest published during the contest by its executive committee against these mischievous and misleading utterances. It congratulates the country that the purpose thus foreshadowed to undo the good accomplished by persistent effort during a generation's space has failed of consummation, and records its hope that it may be called upon to meet no similar assault in the future.

2. The league heartily congratulates the country on the truly remarkable progress of the reform under the second administration of President Cleveland, and especially during the past year. For this great achievement, advancing, as it does, the fundamental principles of free government, President Cleveland deserves the sincere and heartfelt thanks of all good citizens.

3. The league recognizes in the president-elect a friend to civil service reform, who has rendered eminent service in the past to our cause. His record assures all other friends of the reform that it will be his desire, as well as his duty, to end what remains of the practice of using federal offices to reward personal or party service.

4. The league congratulates the state of New York upon the recent classification of its state and departmental service.

5. The league observes, with peculiar satisfaction, the remarkable increased number and activity of the agencies working for better government throughout the country.

6. The league renews its recommendation that the legislation requisite to place the municipal government and other local offices of the District of Columbia within the operation of the civil service law be enacted.

7. At its last annual meeting the league heard, with pleasure, of the commendable attempt of the postmaster general to extend the benefits of the classified service to many postmasters of smaller postoffices by consolidating their offices with those of the larger cities in the vicinity. This measure held out the promise of a considerable saving of public money and a marked increase in mail facilities, besides applying the merit system to a portion of the public service wherein its introduction is at once most desirable and attended with serious difficulties. The league has since seen, with regret and indignation, the practical frustration of this judicious measure through the selfish and unscrupulous hostility of certain senators and representatives, a hostility cloaked under various frivolous pretexts, but which could be inspired only by a desire to use the public patronage as rewards for personal adherents or party workers, and it urges upon congress that this eminently practical reform be no longer delayed.

The session closed last night with a banquet at the Hotel Walton, tendered to the National association by the Philadelphia branch. There were a number of distinguished men present, prominent among whom were Secretary of Agriculture Morton, Carl Schurz, Mayor Strong of New York, President Francis L. Patton of Princeton university, Hon. John R. Proctor, Charles Bonaparte of Baltimore, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, Horace E. Deming of New York, General William A. Aiken, Henry Villard of New York, Hon. H. A. Richmond, Everett P. Wheeler, Charles Richardson, Dorman B. Eaton, Lucius B. Swift, D. C. Gilman, Hon. D. D. Bruce, Dana Estes, Andrew Fiske and Stuart Wood. Letters of regret were received from Postmaster General Wilson and other eminent men who were prevented from attending.

Addresses were made by Secretary Morton, Mayor Strong of New York, Colonel John R. Proctor of Kentucky, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, Charles J. Bonaparte of Baltimore, Cyrus B. Swift of Indiana and others.

Will Control National Democracy.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—The executive committee of the National Democratic party, at a meeting yesterday, delegated its powers in a general way to a subcommittee, composed of George Foster Peabody of New York, John S. Bullitt of Pennsylvania and W. B. Heideman of Louisville. This committee, two members of which are in the east, will advise with Chairman Bynum. The members of the executive committee are so widely scattered that it was deemed advisable to create this small advisory committee. Chairman Bynum will remove at once to New York.

Senator Hoar Against Jingo Policy.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Hoar of Massachusetts will oppose the adoption of any of the radical Cuban resolutions which have been introduced in the senate, and he does not expect to see any of them go to the president. "I believe," he said, "that such matters should be left absolutely to the discretion of the executive."

Laurier Asks For Information.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Premier Laurier telegraphed to the British consul in Brazil yesterday asking for full information concerning the Canadians who recently emigrated to that country and who are now said to be destitute there. The government is considering the question of bringing those who are really destitute back to Canada.

When the doctor comes to prescribe for "any "female weakness," the first thing he insists upon is an examination, and the treatment he prescribes is pretty sure to call for the local applications, so naturally distasteful to every modest woman. These humiliating measures are generally absolutely unnecessary, and there is seldom any reason why a woman should submit to them. This statement is made on the authority of Dr. R. V. Pierce, an eminent specialist in the treatment of diseases of women. For thirty years he has been the chief consulting physician at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y. Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription was designed for the cure of all diseases and disorders of the distinctly feminine organs. It has been successful, even beyond the expectations of its discoverer. It acts directly on these delicate and sensitive organs, and brings them back to perfect, vigorous health. Its effect is almost immediate. It allays inflammation, and stops unbearable, nerve-nagging pains, as well as unnatural, debilitating drains on the system. It corrects distressing and painful irregularities, and cures where doctors fail.

Every woman who would like to know the truth about her own physiology in health and disease, should have a copy of Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. This remarkable book has over 1000 pages and is a complete medical library in one volume. It contains several chapters on the reproductive physiology of woman, written in plain language, and illustrated fully and very carefully. It tells exactly what the "Favorite Prescription" will do for woman, and offers many useful suggestions for the preservation of health. Nearly 700,000 copies were sold at $1.50 each. This is the greatest sale ever reached by any medical work ever printed in the English language. The new edition of half-a-million copies, paper-covered, is now offered *absolutely free* to any one who will send 21 one-cent stamps, to cover the cost of mailing *only*, to the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. In cloth binding 10 cents extra (31 cents in all).

COLD WEATHER COMFORTS

We're going to need them very soon if what the weather prophets say is true. Seal Skin Gloves, Heavy Weight Underwear, new and handsome designs in Silk Mufflers, and Heavy Caps and Gloves are dividing attention with our superb line of gentlemen's furnishings at this time.

ARTHUR J. CUMMISKEY,
69 Merrimack Street.

This Umbrella Has Gone To Smash.

I will take it to Austin's and have it repaired. He will put a new cover on it and do anything else needed in a first class manner at a reasonable price.

G. E. AUSTIN, 19 Bridge Street.

GREAT SLAUGHTER SALE OF TRUNKS and BAGS

Our entire stock of TRUNKS, BAGS, POCKET-BOOKS, STRAPS, etc., to be Slaughtered at prices unheard of.

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Of the Leading Brands of
LAGER, JONES' ALE, Or PORTER
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Bottler, Nos. 96 and 102 Lakeview Avenue
Telephone Number 474-4.

Reception to Be Given McKinley.

Canton, Dec. 12.—H. S. Moses and Joseph A. Baur, as representatives of the Canton Business Men's association, called on Major McKinley yesterday to consult him in regard to having him the guest of honor at the annual banquet of the association, which is usually held early in January. It was thought advisable to give all the people, without regard to business or political connections, an opportunity to extend farewell words to President-elect McKinley before he goes to the national capital. The reception is to be under the direction of the Canton Business Men's association, and will occur shortly before Major McKinley leaves for Washington.

Coxey Leaves the Populists.

Massillon, O., Dec. 12.—J. S. Coxey, in an open letter addressed yesterday to Senator Marion Butler, denounced the "disgraced People's party," sold out to an "issue so insignificant as silver," and adds: "I decline to help chase rainbows of election frauds in Ohio, but hereby announce my resignation as a member of the national committee. I once left the Democratic party, and now find, in order to be out of it for sure, I must leave the once grand, but now disgraced, People's party. This is done in deep sorrow, and with the hope to join a party soon to which the hope of the republic must look for succor from financial and industrial ills."

Burghers Desire Peaceful Progress.

Pretoria, Dec. 12.—President Kruger, in proroguing the volksraad yesterday, said that the burghers desired peaceful progress, would only act on the defensive, never on the offensive, and wished to preserve friendly relations with Great Britain.

Faure Will Visit Russia.

London, Dec. 12.—A Paris dispatch to The Daily Mail says that President Faure has received a direct invitation from the czarina to visit Russia, and he has decided to go.

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A Wonderful New Medical Book, written for Men Only. One copy may be had free on application.

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NEW TARIFF BILL

The Program For Its Preparation Ready.

THE DEMOCRATS NOTIFIED OF THE PLANS.

Some Features of the Bill Settled.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The program of the ways and means committee to prepare a tariff bill for the extra session of congress was the only topic of discussion about the house yesterday, and met with general approval among the Republicans. It is expected that the bill will be brought forward very early in the extra session and passed under a rule fixing time for debate, so that its fate will be in the hands of the senate early. All of the Republican members of the ways and means committee have been re-elected to the next congress, and it is assumed that Mr. Reed will be again chosen speaker, and will not change the personnel of the committee; so that there is no probability that any effort will be made to do the work over again.

Yesterday Chairman Dingley had a conference with Mr. McMillin of Tennessee, the senior Democratic member of the committee, and officially stated the Republican plans. Mr. Dingley said that the hearings probably would begin with the holiday recess and continue through the holidays. To prevent them from dragging along indefinitely, a limited time may be assigned for testimony relating to each of the most important schedules. It is probable that the Democratic ways and means members will have a consultation upon the tariff within a day or two, although, of course, any opposition they might see fit to offer to the tariff program would be merely a matter of form. They are not pleased at the suggestion that Mr. Newland, the independent silver member from Nevada, who is a protectionist, be given Mr. Crisp's chair at the committee table. Speaker Reed seldom consults with the minority about committee appointments, and has not done so in this case.

Certain features of the new tariff bill have been practically decided upon already by the Republicans. Chairman Dingley is authority for the statement that the bill will be framed to prevent the use of the bonded warehouses by importers to escape the payment of higher duties as they were used when the McKinley bill was passed. To effect this there will be a clause providing that goods in storage in bonded warehouses when the new law goes into effect will pay the rates of that law and not those of the Wilson act, in operation when they were entered.

Those schedules of the Wilson law which have proved satisfactory, it is said, will not be disturbed. A member of the committee spoke of the cotton schedule as the most likely to remain unchanged. Having been guarded by Democratic protectionists in the senate, he said, its effects had been satisfactory to manufacturers and operatives, and the duties being specified were in accord with the Republican policy. The Wilson act ad valorem features will be done away with, it goes without saying.

The reciprocity system may be affected by the establishment of two schedules of articles on which concessions are desired from other countries, one scedule for goods when imported from countries which agree to reciprocity treaties, the other schedule for those which do not. Several conferences of the Republican ways and means men are expected before the hearings begin.

It is suggested by one of them that they may decide upon the schedules of the Wilson act which they will continue, and perhaps some McKinley act rates, which will be re-established, and will give hearings only on the remaining schedule, inviting the parties interested to furnish the committee the information which it wants. To finish the bill before March 15 the committee will be obliged to work faster than the ways and means committee did on the McKinley bill, and it might not be able to frame the new bill by the appointed date if hearings are given on all schedules.

The meeting of the ways and means committee of the house to formally adopt the program for work on a tariff bill will be held on Monday instead of today, as had been intended. Chairman Dingley learned that Mr. Turner of Georgia, one of the Democratic leaders, could not attend a meeting today, and therefore decided to postpone the call.

Webster Opera House Gutted.

Webster, Mass., Dec. 12.—The interior of the Webster Opera House was gutted by fire last night. Spontaneous combustion among baled hay stored in Clark's grain store in the lower part of the building is supposed to account for the fire. The damage to the Opera House is $4500. The building is owned by the St. Jean Baptiste society and is insured. Mr. Clark loses quite heavily by fire in his stock of grain and feed.

Last Seen In Boston.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Information was received last night that Charles S. Goodman, liquor dealer of West Springfield, has been missing since Nov. 30. He was seen in Boston on Dec. 1, having come here to pay a number of bills. He had a large sum of money with him when leaving home. He was 50 years old, and was 5ft. 8in. in height, light complexion and had moustache and whiskers.

Madrid Gets More Good News.

Madrid, Dec. 12.—Dispatches from Habana chronicle fresh victories over the insurgents. The queen will receive the wife of Major Cirujeda, who commanded the troops which killed Maceo. Major Cirujeda will be promoted to be a colonel. Many towns in Spain are offering swords in his honor.

After Two Wrong Doers.

New York, Dec. 12.—Detective Charles Gliddon arrived from Boston yesterday with requisition papers for Edward Records, the man who is charged with the embezzlement of $33,333. The detective also has papers for Simpson, a book swindler.

Father County at Worcester.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. Conaty, the newly appointed rector of Washington university, has arrived home from Washington. He will preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart Sunday, Jan. 10, and go to Washington the following week. He is to be given a reception by the faculty and students at Holy Cross college Monday evening, and later in the month will be given a banquet by citizens of Worcester in Mechanics' hall.

Puritana Patients

Why They Take Puritana.

WHY THEY GET WELL.

The proof does it.
That is why people begin to take Puritana.
People find that their neighbors have tried it.
Their friends have tried it.
Men and women in every walk of life have tried it.
A man suffers.
Perhaps he has suffered for years.
He has tried many things.
They have all failed.
He reads a Puritana testimonial.
He reads another.
He sees new ones wherever he looks.
Some of the writers are in his own town.
Some in his own business.
Some he can see.
Some he can write to.
Some have been cured of his own ailment.
Some of other ailments.
All are grateful.
All are glad to tell suffering people how Puritana gave them relief.
They are approachable folks, and their voluntary testimonials count.
Some live in town.
Some in the country.
Some hold office.
Some vote.
But all are honest and sincere.
That is why any one can prove for himself the genuineness of Puritana cures.
Puritana patients get well.
This is a fact.
There are reasons for it.
Puritana is the discovery of Prof. Dixi Crosby.
He was the greatest New Hampshire physician of his day.
He was at the head of the Dartmouth Medical College for a generation.
He used common sense, and found that disease or health came to the body through the stomach.
He scientifically compounded a stomach medicine from the harmless products of nature.
This is Puritana.
It makes the stomach right.
That is why it makes the health right.
With a sound stomach no one can help being well.
That is why Puritana patients get well.
Chemists say that Puritana is a good medicine.
They also say it is well made.
The materials are the purest and best that money can buy.
Druggists say it is a good medicine.
Their customers buy it and are more than satisfied with its effects.
What the people say about Puritana you have read before, and you will read again.
The thousands of Puritana cures are becoming better known every day.
The patients are real people.
The cures are real cures.
They can be proven in court.
They can be proven by any medical society.
They have been proven before the tribunal of Public Opinion.

FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION

Of Yesterday.

TWO HORSES FELL DOWN

DR. HILTON'S SPIRITED ANIMALS CAUSE EXCITEMENT

Falling Down On Church Street—They Attempt to Run Away but Were Stopped By Inspector Donaldson.

The wife and daughter of Dr. Hilton had an exciting experience while driving this noon which in all probability might have resulted in a serious accident, if not worse; had it not been for the prompt work of Liquor Inspector David Donaldson. The ladies were riding down Church street behind a splendid pair of horses driven by their coachman, Owen Hannigan, at a good rate when one of the horses slipped on the track as it crosses on Lawrence street and fell throwing its mate over it and snapping the carriage pole like a twig.

Inspector Donaldson was on his way to dinner and was within 20 feet of the carriage when the animals went down. He attempted to hold both animals by the heads, as they were kicking furiously, but one got on its feet and started to run when Inspector Donaldson turned his attention to it, letting the one on the ground alone. The coachman got the badly frightened ladies out of the carriage and then assisted Inspector Donaldson to hold the struggling beasts.

They were gotten under control and the broken harness patched up, while Inspector Donaldson is now nursing a kicked shin and bruised hands.

Officers Elected.

The election of officers of St. John's Total Abstinence society took place last night, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Patrick T. McMahon; vice president, James O'Connell; clerk, James Barrett; financial secretary, John T. McMahon; treasurer, James P. Quigley; board of trustees, John McTague, George Foren, James F. Leahey, John F. McMunimin and Frank W. Hogan; janitor, John T. McMahon; spiritual director, Rev. John J. Shaw. The installation of the newly elected officers will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 18.

Avoid An Early Grave.

How often do we hear, that the avenue to an early grave was opened by neglecting a slight cough and cold. Profit by this truth, and provide yourself with Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which instantly cures all throat and lung affections. Mr. W. H. Mahoney, Lowell, Mass., writes: "I was taken sick with a bad cold. The doctors did not seem to help me, and everybody said I was getting consumption, when a relative recommended Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. I got a bottle and it helped me, and after taking two bottles I was cured, to the surprise of everybody. I shall always recommend it to my friends, as I know it to be a sure cure." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is sold everywhere for 25 cents. Don't accept a substitute.

FITS CURED

(*From U. S. Journal of Medicine.*)

Prof. W. H. Peeke, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. He publishes a valuable work on this disease which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferer who may send their P.O. and Express address. We advise anyone wishing a cure to address, Prof. W. H. PEEKE, F. D., 4 Cedar St., New York.

R. J. MOWER,
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WATCHMAKER and OPTICIAN
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FASHIONS CHANGE BUT POZZONI'S Complexion POWDER

REMAINS ALWAYS THE SAME.

The finest, purest and most beautifying toilet powder ever made. It is soothing, healing, healthful and harmless; and when rightly used is Invisible. If you have never tried

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you do not know what an IDEAL COMPLEXION POWDER is.

IT IS SOLD EVERYWHERE.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MIDDLESEX, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of Francois X. Core, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased, intestate:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Jean B. D. Jacques of Lowell in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of December A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Daily Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least before said court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

S. H. FOLSOM, Register.

Music Hall

Dec. 10, 11 and 12th.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with Saturday matinee.

ROBIE'S BOHEMIAN BURLESQUERS

Acknowledged by both press and public to be the best, neatest, brightest and funniest Burlesque show on the road. Continuous laugh from beginning to ending of performance. It drives away the blues.

Dec. 14, 15, 16th.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with Wednesday Matinee, the Big Realistic Production,

"KIDNAPPED"

With DAVID HIGGINS, as "OUR GERMAN FRIEND."

A vivid picture of New York life, vigorous, thrilling and picturesque. Realistic and sensational effects. A carload of special scenery.

FIRST APPEARANCE IN LOWELL

Of the Original

NANA Most Famous Picture In the World

PRAISED BY ALL LANDS.

A rare vision of perfect feminine beauty is coming to Lowell and will be on exhibition from 9 a. m. till 10 p. m. daily, at the

RUSSIAN HALL, Urban Block

(Rear of Old City Hall)

For a few days only, commencing

MONDAY, Dec. 14.

125,000 people attended the receptions of Nana during the brilliant engagement of 30 weeks in Boston, including many of the best known Ladies and Gentlemen of that highly-cultured city. Nana has been exhibited in every quarter of the civilized globe, and has been unanimously declared by press, People and Critics, everywhere, to be the most wonderful picture ever painted. It is from the brush of Marcel de Snehorowsky, of the St. Petersburg Academy, most famous of the great school of Russian realistic artists.

There is but one Nana, and there is no other Picture like it.

ADMISSION:
9 a. m. till 5 p. m., 20 cents.
5 p. m. till 10 p. m., 10 cents.

WANT COLUMN.

WANTED—Two furnished bed rooms and a third room for light housekeeping purposes. Moderate rent. S. D. Chadwick, 193 Essex street, Lawrence.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny live room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 821 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—300 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 65 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest of prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendation; also good references. Address H, Sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1300. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Allen Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on a 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c., stamps, for particulars, "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

DR. CATON'S TANSY PILLS for Ladies never fail. Get the genuine and avoid disappointment. $1, all druggists or direct. DR. E. E. CATON, Boston, Mass.

FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house in good shape, 30 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop. Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lowe's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

SAVOY THEATRE
Kendal Weston, Mgr.

Week Beginning Monday, Dec. 7

Benefit of Lowell Lodge, No. 87, B. P. O. Elks.

LAST TWO PERFORMANCES

The Savoy Theatre Co., in the Greatest of Farce Comedies,

"BABIE"

Mr. Weston as "Babie."

Matinee prices, Lower Floor 25c., Balcony 15c. Evening prices 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Box seats 75c. Evenings at 8 o'clock. Wednesday and Saturday Matinees at 2.30. Carriages at 10.30 p. m. Seats on sale at Theatre one week in advance. Box office open from 10 a. m. to 9.30 p. m. Telephone 608-2. Tickets will be reserved until within 15 minutes of time of performance.

NEXT WEEK—Robertson's Immortal Comedy, "CASTE."

"Costly Thy Dress as Thy Purse can Buy."

The next thing is to buy where you can get the best value for your money.

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Counsellor at Law and Notary Public

THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:05; sets, 4:12.
Length of day—9:07.
Moon sets—Morn.
Full sea—5:15 a. m.; 5:30 p. m.
Forecast for New England: Generally fair; slightly warmer in northern portion; northerly winds, shifting to southerly.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance, Donovan bl'd.

The commissioner whose term expires next is Harry R. Rice of the Citizen.

The committee on salaries met last evening but adjourned till this evening without doing any business.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin the 1018 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone conection.

The Blues won the turkey supper in the junior's membership contest. Supper for the contesting sides next Monday, Dec. 14, at 6 o'clock.

Smokers', attention is called to misleading imitations of the popular 7-20-4 10c. cigar. See that every cigar is branded 7-20-4, which is a guarantee of imported filled and wrapper and strictly hand-made.

The employes of the water works department while digging in the vicinity of the Cook wells, near Ayer city recently unearthed an iron hand force pump in good condition seven feet below the surface. It did not appear to be very ancient.

Lawler, the stationer, calls attention in his adv. today to the new book he has just published, entitled "Picturesque Lowell," and containing 16 views of Lowell. The price is 25 cents. Just the thing to send to your out of town friends. 79 Merrimack and 15 John streets.

Next Wednesday night Dec. 16, the Y. M.C.A. tenders a reception to the young people's societies of the churches of the city at their rooms on Hurd street. There is to be a gymnasium exhibition and music. Refreshments are to be served. The young people of the city are cordially invited.

E Xmas Drafts £.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

Na Iues at the Savoy.

This afternoon and evening the Savoy comedy success of "Babie" with Mr. Weston in the title role, will receive its last presentations. It is a most laughable and enjoyable performance and cannot help make the auditor feel that he winds up his week happy at least.

Board of Police.

At a special meeting of the board of police, Friday afternoon, Michael J. Conniban was appointed a special police officer for Associate building.

Cornelius H. Reagan, 447 Worthen street, and Joseph Paquette, 472 Moody were granted licenses for common victuallers.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

Here is a squib from the Springfield Union:

Wanted—Any old political job. Having been repeatedly disappointed in my aspirations during the past few months, I am now prepared to consider offers from any quarter. All communications to Mr. Manytitles, general delivery, Springfield, will receive prompt attention.

BOWLING NEWS.

In the Highland club tournament last night Team Eight defeated Team Three 2238 to 2145.

Teams one and Ten played in the Vesper club tournament last evening and the former won 2294 to 2073.

The Merrimacks won from the Olympics on the Olympic alleys 2259 to 2238.

OFFENSIVE BILL BOARDS

Denounced By the Ministers' Union of Lowell.

There is a crusade started against the show bills on bill boards. Yesterday afternoon the Ministers' union adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, many of the pictures exhibited on the bill boards of the city are offensive to our people and calculated to injure the youth of our city, we the ministers of Lowell do hereby protest against such exhibitions as offensive and indecent, and hereby request the mayor and city government to take such action as may be necessary to prevent such display.

B. & M. EMPLOYES MEET

A SMOKE TALK ENJOYED IN JACKSON HALL.

The Boys Entertained Some Prominent Railroad Men.

A mass meeting of the employes of the Boston and Maine railroad residing in Lowell, was held in Jackson hall, last evening, for the purpose of receiving instructions relative to the work of the claims department of the road.

About 150 were present. Agent H. C. Taft called to order, and the first address was by Edgar J. Rich, claims attorney of the road, who instructed them as to the manner of reporting accidents. He was followed by E. M. Greer, claims agent of the eastern division located at Boston.

John C. Blood of this city made a brief address.

Prior to the meeting an elaborate banquet was enjoyed at the American house by the following officials: Claims Attorney Edgar J. Rich of Boston, Claim Agents E. M. Grover of Boston and John C. Blood of Lowell, General Agent Taft, Chief Clerk Wallace G. Parkin, General Yard Master O. S. Greeley, Master Mechanic Alden I. Clifford, Road Master A. C. Stickney, F. E. Bascom, Yard Master, Frank Judd, Yard Master W. B. Boudinot and Depot Master Master O. A. Brigham. After supper there was a general discussion of railroad matters.

Card of Thanks.

Philip and Ann Riley wish to return their sincere thanks to all their friends and neighbors that so kindly assisted them in the hour of their trouble by words of consolation and also for the numerous floral offerings to the memory of their beloved daughter, Alice, and it is their sincere wish that it may be many years before the shadow of death will fall upon any of their homes.

PHILIP AND ANN RILEY.

Coal Hods Given Away.

If you want a coal hod we have got lots of them and will give you one with a pound of our high grade tea. Dickson Bros., 63 Merrimack street.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

The Remedy with a Record.

50 Years of Cures

THE NEW CHARTER

Elaborate Opinion of It by B. D. O'Connell, Esq.

HE HOLDS THAT TRE APPOINTING POWER

Is Vested by Right in The Mayor.

In the subjoined article Bernard D. O'Connell, Esq., one of the fighting lawyers of our city gives his interpretation of the now much discussed section of the new charter, affecting the relative powers of the mayor and city council. He holds that the mayor has full power to appoint the heads of departments. He says:

Every lawyer whose opinion is of any weight and who is not biased in the matter agrees, that the first section of the amended charter gives the mayor the power of appointing every official of the city, which the city council or either branch has heretofore elected, except of course, the president and clerk of the common council and chairman of board of aldermen. But to meet any doubts uninformed or biased people may have on the subject, let us look at it impartially and give reasons or authority for the above conclusion. The whole question turns on the words "executive powers," and what that includes. That brings at once to the mind of the lawyer, Part I, Art. XXX of the Constitution of Massachusetts which provides that "the legislative department shall never exercise the executive and judicial powers, or either of them; the executive shall never exercise the legitlative and judicial powers, or either of them; the judicial shall never exercise the legislative and executive powers, or either of of them; to the end it may be a government of laws and not men."

Then the constitution proceeds to point out the executive powers, legislative powers and judicial powers. The executive power includes governor, lieutenant governor, council, secretary, treasurer, receiver general, auditor and attorney general. It also includes sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, coroners and all others that are engaged in carrying into execution the laws made by the legislative department and decisions and orders of the judicial department. It is the same in the national government, the executive power being the president, and his cabinet, and all the minor offices under each of the cabinet officers. The president speaks and acts through the acts of the heads of departments in reference to the business committed to them. Wilcox vs. Jackson, B. Pet. (U. S.) 498; J. S. vs. Cutler, 2 Curt. (U. S. Cir.) 617; Lockington vs. Smith, 1 Pet. C. C. (U. S.) 466. In England the executive power is the prime minister and his cabinet and their subordinates. In the city council, including aldermen and common council, are the legislative departments. The mayor and heads of the various departments and their subordinates comprise the executive departments. But the question comes on, what executive powers has the city council or either branch heretofore exercised? The election of president of the council or its clerk would not be, as they are part of its legislative work and necessary to carry out that work.

But the election or appointment of officers or agents to carry out one the statutes or ordinances or the city's business was clearly the exercise of executive power. It certainly was not legislative or judicial, and therefore must be executive.

But that it was the exercise of "executive powers" was definitely settled by our own Supreme Judicial court in 1873, in the case of supervisors of election, 114 Mass., 247. The question came directly before the court whether the appointment of executive officers was an exercise of executive or judicial or legislative power, and the Supreme court was unanimously of opinion that it was executive power, and, therefore, that they could not exercise it under the constitution of Massachusetts. The points are stated very clearly in the following extracts from the opinion delivered by Chief Justice Gray:

"This application is made under the St. of 1873, chap. 376, sec. 1, which provides as follows: Whenever prior to an election, five legal voters of any ward of a city shall make known in writing to a justice of the Supreme Judicial court, in term time or vacation, their desire to have such election guarded and scrutinized, it shall be the duty of such justice, upon such notice as he shall deem meet, or without notice, prior to such election, to appoint and commission two legal voters of such ward, who shall be of different political parties, and shall be known and designated as supervisors of election. Before entering upon the duties of their office, the said supervisors shall be duly sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the same.

"As the application appeared to involve a grave question of constitutional law, and a similar application might, according to the terms of the statute, be presented to a justice of this court at any time, the matter has been argued before five of the judges, and our brethren who could not attend at the argument, have taken part in the consultation."

"The intention of the legislature is clearly expressed that supervisors of election should be

Appointed by the Justices of This Court.

The question is whether the statute is constitutional."

"The people of Massachusetts, warned by experience of the inconveniences and dangers arising from the vesting of incompatible powers in the same persons under the royal government while this state was an English province, have made most careful provision for separating the three great departments of government, and for removing the judiciary, and especially this court, from political influences of every kind, as far as possible."

"The final article of the declaration of rights declares that in the government of this commonwealth the legislative department shall never exercise the

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and judicial powers or either of them; the executive shall never exercise the legislative or judicial powers, or either of them; the judicial shall never exercise the executive or legislative powers, or either of them; to the end it may be a government of laws and not of men."

"These Supervisors,

although entrusted with a certain discretion in the performance of their duties

Are Strictly Executive Officers."

We are unanimously of opinion that the power of appointing such officers cannot be conferred upon the justices of this court without violating the constitution of the commonwealth. We cannot exercise this power as judges, because it is not a judicial function; nor as commissioners, because the constitution does not allow us to hold any such office." To arrive at the above decision two things were necessary for the court to find: 1st, that the supervisors were executive officers; 2d, that their appointment was the exercise of executive power. Otherwise the statute would not be unconstitutional.

This is also in accord with the decisions of other states to the effect that the appointment and removal from office is the exercise of executive power, except of those officers which are incidental and necessary to carry on the legislative and judicial business.

The power of appointing and removing subordinate executive officers is generally, by the American constitutions, vested in the chief executive. In re Farrow 4 Woods (U. S. Circ.) 491.

An appointment to office by the executive is complete upon delivery of the commission. Weatherbee vs. Cazneau, 20 Cal. 503, but a commission is not necessary to the appointment of an officer by the executive, as it is only evidence of an appointment. Warbury vs. James Madison, (Sup. court of U. S., 1 Cranch 137).

There is no way that Mayor Courtney can get a judicial interpretation of the charter, unless some one wants to contest his appointments; the Supreme Judicial court will not give any interpretation, except in deciding a case regularly brought before them. But no interpretation is necessary, and let Mayor Courtney go ahead and appoint his officers and if any one of them wants to contest it let him do it. It is very doubtful if the legislature could give the city council the power of appointing or electing these officers, and sound lawyers doubt if that part of the original charter giving them the power was constitutional, as the government of cities is certainly a part of government of the commonwealth.

COMMUNICATION.

Editor Sun:

Dear Sir:—Would you kindly express through your columns my heartfelt thanks to the democracy of Lowell for the high compliment paid me in the magnificent vote in Tuesday's election. Although defeated the vote that was rendered far exceeded my expectations especially when we take into consideration the circumstances in my case, viz: Unknown by the body of the electors, not long in the party and without the means or the opportunity to push my election by influence or otherwise.

HENRY HAMER.

A Pool Game.

Andy Donahue, the pool expert of Gorham street, defeated a crack player named Hayes yesterday by a score of 100 to 62 and is looking for challenges.

Liver Ills

Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work easily and thoroughly. Best after dinner pills. 25 cents. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pill to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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A Sure and Safe Remedy in every case and every kind of Bowel Complaint is

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This is a true statement and it can't be made too strong or too emphatic.

It is a simple, safe and quick cure for Cramps, Cough, Rheumatism, Colic, Colds, Neuralgia, Diarrhœa, Croup, Toothache.

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MOODY STREET BRIDGE HOUSE LOTS.

New Bridge will be completed in a few days. The electric road is being laid across the bridge. Sewers, gas, city water, etc. 76 houses have been built in the last 8 months, and a large number are being built at the present time. Don't delay, choice lots are going quick, prices are low, only 10, 12 and 15c. per foot, easy monthly payments. Call for plans, terms etc. On the land every afternoon.

A. J. RYAN, Agt.

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You Have Struck the Right Place

When you have found

PETER WATSON'S

Celebrated Bakeries

For if you are looking for the best quality of bakers' supplies, you are always sure to get the best when trading at either of his stores, which are located at

52, to 60 Charles Street, and 465 Lawrence Street.

If you desire he will supply your wants by calling at your home. Parties and weddings a specialty.

Absolutely Pure.

The Careful Housewife will use no other.

MOODY STREET BRIDGE.

Opened to the Public—The Approaches Not Yet Completed.

The Moody street bridge has been open for travel for two weeks, yet the Pawtucketville side of the road is impassable, the Locks and Canals Co. not having completed the grading of that portion of the roadway.

CHALIFOUX'S

Store now filled with an immense assortment of Staple and Holiday Merchandise.

Full Line of Useful and Beautiful Holiday Novelties.

Smoking Jackets
Holiday Slippers
Handkerchiefs
Umbrellas
Neckwear
Jewelry

Gold Watches Worth $15 to $20 at $4.98 and $5.98.

REMEMBER, after tonight not a single Watch will be sold at these prices.

J. L. CHALIFOUX,

49 to 59 Central Street.

"Chill winds may blow and wintry snows lie deep,
What reck we of the loss of summer's flowers;
The strains of mirth and wind their chorus keep
And music and fair speech beguile the hours."

You will enjoy every festive occasion better if you wear a **DRESS SUIT** made by

Louis Alexander,

Formerly of Fifth Ave., New York.

Importer and Tailor, No. 65 Central Street.

Is Your Stable Crowded

And more room is needed for your Sleighs?

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A Well Established Profitable Business,

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O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE COMPANY.

LAST DAY OF THE INVINCIBLE

HOLIDAY DIVIDEND SALE

Always aggressive and progressive. Grand achievements in underbuying and underselling. Values which electrified the people all week will be continued today. For instance:

25c Dress Goods, 9c a Yd. Merrimack Prints, 2½c a Yd.
China Silks, 14c a Yd. Crashes, 1½c a Yd. White Bed Spreads, 45c
Dress Ginghams, 3c a Yd. China and Japan Mattings, 8c Yd.

We are bound to set a standard of values by which all bargains of the future must be measured. Our distinct step toward lower prices teaches a bargain lesson the people are anxious and eager to learn. Other lots of goods at abnormally low prices.

Colored Dress Goods.

Four Great Bargains.

30 pieces of Serges, Mixtures and Checks, sold to date at 39 and 50c., down to 25c. per yard.

40 pieces of Novelties in two-toned effects, changeable, only 39c. a yard.

45 pieces of all wool Henrietta and Serges, all colors, together with a beautiful line of curled novelty all wool Checks and Plaids, marked down to 19c. per yard.

50-inch, all new colors and black Broadcloth; also lot of German novelties in self-coloring and two-toned effects. $1.50 goods at 75c. per yard.

Cloakings and Astrachans Marked down for Friday and Saturday to prices that must certainly clear them up.

Christmas Fans.

A beautiful assortment of Spangled Fans, 75c. to $5.00 each.

White Satin and Feather Fans, 98c. to $3.00 each.

Misses' Fans in great variety, including White Satin, Spangle and Feather Fans in Pink, Blue, Yellow and White.

Furniture Department.

We are still selling Morris chairs with All Hair Cushions at $4.75 and $5.98 each.

Several Bargain Lots of Handkerchiefs Today.

Children's Printed Border Handkerchiefs, 1c., 2c., 3c., 4c., and 5c. each.

Children's Fancy Box Handkerchiefs, 15c., 19c., 25c. per box.

Gent's Printed Border Handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.

Gent's Tape Border Handkerchiefs, 6 for 25c.

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.

1 lot Ladies' Colored Handkerchiefs, 10c. each.

1 lot of Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, 10c. each.

Silk and Cashmere Mufflers 33c. each.

1 lot of Fancy Silk and Gauze Handkerchiefs, an extraordinary bargain at 12 1-2c each.

Toilet Dept.

1 lot of Colluloid Comb and Tray Sets, $1.98 each.

Atomizer Sets in Fancy Glass and China $2.50 each.

1 lot of Baby Celluloid Sets, at $1.98 each.

1 lot Celluloid Brush Broom Holders 25c. each.

Combs, Brushes, and Trays in Aluminum at ridiculously low prices today.

Ladies' Gloves.

Your attention is directed to our line of $1 Glace and Pique Gloves in the newest and most fashionable colorings and choice embroidered points, absolutely reliable or money refunded, or new ones instead.

Half Hose.

Special Inducements for Friday and Saturday.

Genuine 2-Thread Gray Merino and Hermsdorf Black Cotton 1-2 Hose, 4-Thread heel and toe, best value ever offered, at 12 1-2 cents each.

A Tremendous Mark-down Sale of Winter Cloaks.

Any Garment in Our Stock Today and Tomorrow at Half Price.

If you want a Jacket or Cape in cloth or fur, up to date in every way, call on us Friday or Saturday. We will sell you garments as low as you usually buy them in February when the season is over. It is like finding money to buy garments at our prices today.

Upholstery Dept.

1 lot of Lace Draperies sold to date 59c., down to 25c a pair.

1 lot of Irish Point Laces sold to date $4.25, down to $2.98 a pair.

1 lot of Japanese Crope sold to date 15c., down to 8c. a yard,

1 lot of Fish Net, 50 inches wide, sold to date 35c., down to 19c. a yard.

1 lot of Tapestry Portierers, sold to date $4.50, down to $2.98 a pair.

1 lot of Couch Covers, sold to date $3.50, down to $2.50 each.

Art Department

Gold Embroidered Silk Scarfs, 29c. each.

Gold Embroidered Table Scarfs, $1.49 each.

Gold Embroidered Silk Lambrequins, $2.49 each.

1 lot of Fancy Table Covers, 25c. each.

1 lot of Stamped Denim Table Covers, 39c. each.

1 lot of Fancy Photograph Holders, 98c. each.

Pretty Linens

At Little Prices.

Hemmed and Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 50c. kind, 29c. each.

All Linen Tray Cloths stamped in elegant designs, 25c. kind, 12 1-2c. each.

Imported plain and stamped Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 85c. kind, 35c. each.

45-inch Full Bleached Fringe Towels at 10c. each.

25c. Towels, 12 1-2c. each.
50c. Towels 25c. each.

Gloves

1 lot of Lined Kid Gloves, reduced from $1 and $1.25 to 75 cents a pair.

Children's

Misses All Wool Hose, sizes 6 to 8, 25c. quality, only 12 1-2c. a pair.

Misses' Harvard Mill Jerseys, Vest and Pants, 39c. goods, 26c. each.

Boys' genuine two-thread Black Fleeced Hose, double knees, a good school hose, 19 cents a pair.

Basement Department

We wish to direct attention to desirable things in China for Xmas gifts.

Chocolate Sets, 15 pieces, only $4.98 each.

Tete-a-Tete Sets, 14 pieces, only $4.98 each.

Fish sets of 13 pieces, only $6.98 each.

Tea sets of 9 pieces only $2.98 each.

Ice Cream sets, 13 pieces, only $4.89.

These sets are the very finest productions of china and prices are way down.

Special Reductions

1 lot of Glace Kid Gloves in grey, cream, white and black, 75 cent quality, 49 cents a pair.

1 lot of Glace and Suede Mosquetaire Kid Gloves, plain and fancy points, $1.25 quality, reduced to 69 cents a pair.

1 lot of Lined Kid Mittens, extra quality, 49 cents a pair.

Hosiery and Knit Underwear

Ladies

100 dozen extra heavy weight Jersey Vests and Pants, vest made with crochet necks and real silk facing, drawers finished with self-colored satine bands. We consider this great value at 29c. each.

100 dozen Black and Grey Woolen Hose Merino Heels and Toes, sold everywhere at 25c., only 12 1-2c. a pair.

Broken lots of Jersey Vests and Pants, 25c. quality, only 12 1-2c. each.

Leather Goods, Pocket Books and Boston Bags,

A Specialty.

1 lot of Boston Bags 10 inch and 11 inch cloth sides, leatherette linings, the best value in the market at 50c. each.

1 lot of Combination Pocketbooks, (black only) Sterling silver corners, extraordinary value at 25 cents each.

1 lot of Boston Bags, cloth, good quality, leather lining with side pockets, sold everywhere $1.50, only 98 cents each.

Jewelry.

Enameled Stick Pins 10c. each.

Enameled Brooches 25c. each.

Solid Gold Brooches $1.00 to $2.50 each.

Sterling Silver Pencils 50c. each.

Rolled Gold Baby Pins 17c. each.

Rolled Gold Brooches 50c. each.

Gold Mounted Tooth Picks 25 cents each.

Sterling Silver Penholders, 69c. each.

Solid and Rolled Gold Stick Pins, 50c. to $2 each.

Gent's Shirt Front Sets (gold), 50c to $2 per set.

Gent's Cuff Buttons, silver or gold, 50c. to $1.50 a pair.

Sterling Silver Chain Bracelets, $1.50 to $2.75.

Underwear.

500 pieces of White Merino Shirts and Drawers, $1 goods, 50c. each.

Men's Furnishings.

Holiday Suggestions. Useful Christmas Gifts.

Fancy Night Shirts 50 cents to $1.00 each.

Fancy Suspenders, boxed, 50 cents to $1.50 each.

Fancy Armlets, boxed, 10 cents to $1.50 each.

Cardigan Jackets $1.00 to $2.75 each.

Boys' and Men's Sweaters 98 cents to $4.50 each.

Silk Mufflers 50 cents to $2.00 each.

Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 75 cents to $2 each.

Men's Half Hose, cotton, cashmere and wool, 12 1-2 to 50 cents a pair.

Laundered Shirts, open and closed front, 75 cents to $1 each.

Laundered Shirts, fancy fronts, extra quality, large assortment, $1 each.

Unlaundered Shirts.

300 Unlaundered White Shirts, linen bosoms and wrist bands, open and closed fronts, reinforced fronts and backs, rare value, at 30c. each.

1 lot Fancy Bosom Laundered Shirts, with 1 pair of Cuffs, reduced from $1 to 69c. each.

2 Bargain Lots of Gingham Aprons.

1 lot of good quality Gingham Aprons, 15c. kind at 10c. each.

1 lot of extra large size Gingham Aprons, a very great bargain, at 15c each.

The Christmas Department of Lowell is in Our Basement.

TOYS hold sway with musical instruments and other Holiday Goods. **GAMES** and **DOLLS** have ample space with counter after counter of givable things. **ROCKING HORSES** and **SLEDS**, with many other attractive things, suitable for Christmas giving, will be found in abundance. Remember that the Christmas Department of Lowell is in our Basement.

IT LEADS in news, in style, in enterprise and in general excellence as a newspaper THE SUN leads all its local competitors. That's why it leads all of them in circulation and popularity.

THE LOWELL SUN

19TH YEAR. LOWELL, MASS., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1896. ONE CENT.

THE TEST The true basis for comparison of newspaper advertising rates is the price per inch per 1000 copies sold. On this basis THE SUN is the cheapest advertising medium in Lowell.

SECOND EDITION

The Sun is the only evening penny paper in Lowell printing Telegraphic News.

SIMON J. O'CONNELL DEAD

THE WELL KNOWN FIREMAN PASSES AWAY.

An Attack of Pneumonia the Cause of Death—Funeral Tomorrow Afternoon.

The many friends of Simon J. O'Connell, one of the best known firemen in this city, will be pained to hear of his death which occurred last night at 11 o'clock, after an illness of but two days. Mr. O'Connell was about the city on election day in apparently good health

SIMON J. O'CONNELL.

and did not feel unwell until Wednesday when he complained of a bad cold. Pneumonia set in and despite the efforts of the physicians the consequence was death.

Simon O'Connell was one of the best known and liked men in this city. He and was 45 years of age and a native of the city. In his younger days he was very prominent in social and political influence was much sought after by these who knew his worth. Mr. O'Connell was a regular fireman attached to Engine 1 and was also a member of the Veteran Firemen and never missed a squirt. Wherever he went he was a leading spirit, for a hale person well met, an honest, straightforward man, and a true friend under all circumstances, he was beloved by all who knew him and his death will be widely mourned.

He is survived by six brothers, the most prominent of them being Very Rev. Dr. O'Connell, rector of the American college at Rome, and the others are Edward, captain of Hose 7; Richard, driver of Hose 1; John, a member of the police department; Luke and Mathew O'Connell, all well known and respected citizens, and two sisters, Miss Julia O'Connell and Mrs. Henry Hatch, also of this city. To them is extended the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends.

The funeral will occur tomorrow afternoon from his late home on Fay street at 8 o'clock and will be attended by the fire department and the veteran firemen. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Dr. Sanford Dead.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 12.—Dr. Leonard J. Sanford, an eminent physician who has been critically ill for several days, died at five o'clock this morning.

THE SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

THE BROKEN ICE

Led to Startling Discovery in New Hampshire.

THREE CHILDREN DROWNED WHILE AT PLAY.

Searching Parties Found the Bodies Today.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Nashua, N. H.—This morning the bodies of two girls and a boy, aged 7, 8 and 11 respectively, children of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farnsworth of Brookline N. H., were taken from a mill pond there. The children started for school as usual yesterday morning taking lunch with them. Not returning at night the parents started a search and found that the children had not been to school. A party of men at once started a search and this morning the bodies were found in the pond. The ice was broken. They had evidently stopped to play on the ice, when it broke and all went down together.

Ball Player Dead.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12—J. Howard Robison, secretary and treasurer of the Cleveland Base Ball club, died at one o'clock this morning, aged 44, of inflammation of the brain.

Postmaster Suicides.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Dubuque, Iowa, Dec. 12—Jacob Murer, postmaster at Garnaville committed suicide during the night by swallowing carbolic acid. He was found in a school house where he was teaching, this morning. A shortage of $250 was found in his accounts.

International Bicycle Race.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Dec. 12.—The six days international bicycle race at Madison Square Garden ends at 10 o'clock tonight. Hale still leads by 33 miles 3 laps and has smashed all previous records.

J. F. **O'DONNELL UNDERTAKER,**

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EXPORT BEER

Bottled and Steamed at the Brewery.

An Excellent Tonic

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Picturesque Lowell

Is the title of a very beautiful illustrated book just brought out by us. It contains 16 Lowell views and includes Merrimack street, Central street, City Hall, Memorial Building, High School, new Court House, Grace Church, Pawtucket Falls, the Armory, St. Anne's Church, Fort Hill Park, Church of the Immaculate Conception, Mills at Lowell, the Merrimack River from Andover Street, Lowell Jail and the grave of J. C. Ayer. The price is **25 cents.** Just the thing to send to your friends.

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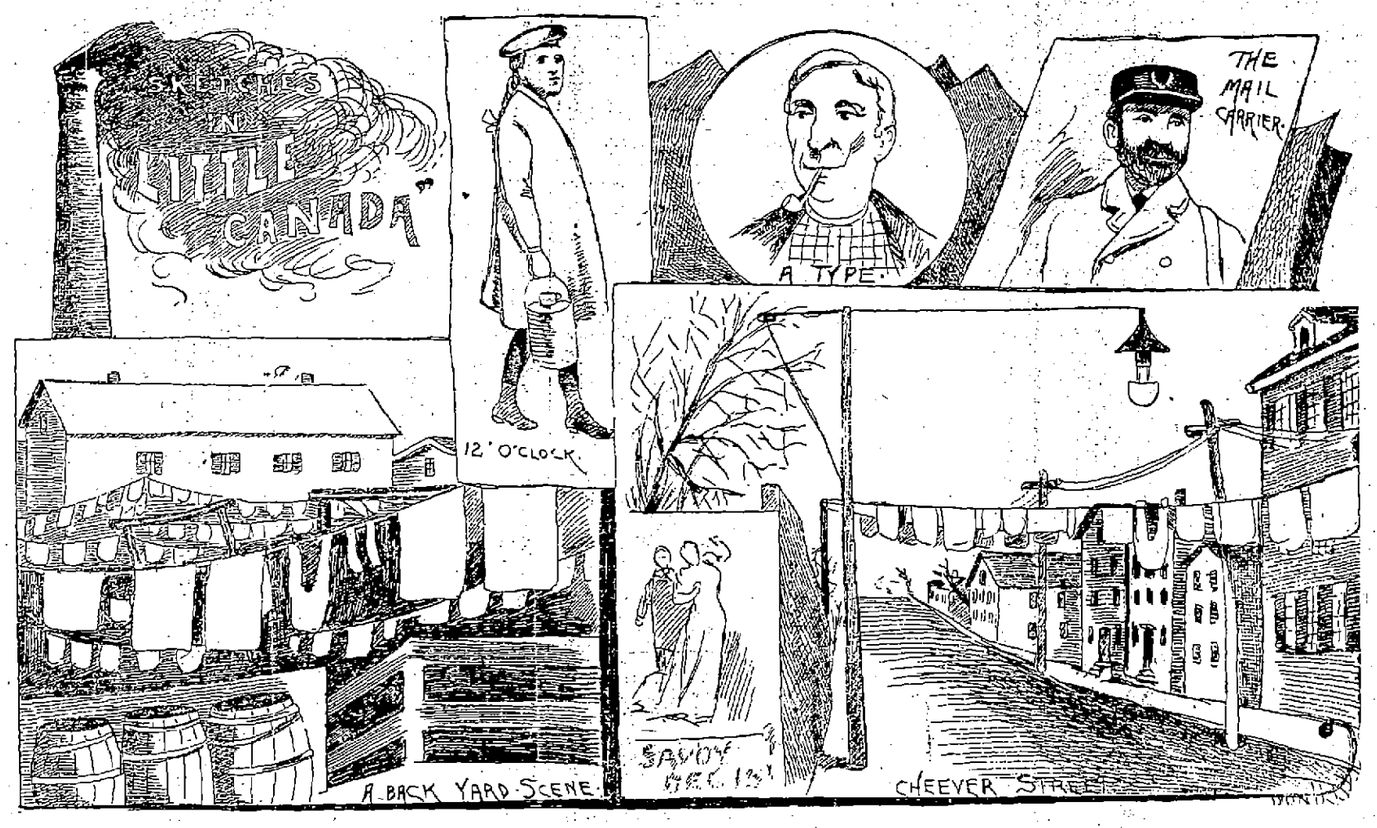

Sights and Scenes in "Little Canada."

LITTLE CANADA ROMANCE

The Sun Artist Visits This Thickly Populated District.

A Romance of Mill Life Brought to Light—A Young Frenchman Marries His Sister by Mistake and Her Identity Was Discovered at the Wedding—How it Happened.

THE CHARACTERS IN THE ROMANCE.

One who has never visited "Little Canada," that densely populated portion of our Spindle city, has but a vague idea of the phases of life which may be observed there.

Cramped and dingy dwellings afford shelter to this conglomerate mass of humanity. Squalor in certain parts of it is prevalent and the rickety old tinder boxes seem tottering in despair.

But little language is heard except the mother tongue of the French Canadian which is accompanied by numerous gestures of explanation. Indeed so essential are they that I doubt if a Frenchman could talk if his hands were tied.

Every day seems to be wash-day in Little Canada, for the back yards are a perfect network of clothes lines filled with the rough raiments of the laborer and his family. Nor do the thrifty house wives confine their lines to back yards, for across the black muddy streets even are stretched their calicos, hose and similar paraphernalia, fresh from the tub.

It is said that this five acres of land is the most densely populated area of its size in the United States and when I had seen it all I did not feel like contending that such was not the case.

Uncle Sam has to employ a French Canadian Mail carrier here, for a Yankee to wrestle long with their cognomens would be a fit subject for the mad-house.

"Little Canada" has her own stores, doctors and undertakers. "Little Canada" has her little romances too, and in consequence she has her tragedies.

It may seem strange but, nevertheless, the story which I am about to tell, while savoring of fiction, is true. I had known Armand Lambert for some time, a bright, handsome French lad of twenty, who with his father and mother had left their little Canadian farm a dozen years ago. They came to Lowell where work in the great mills afforded that humble living with which they were satisfied. He often told me of his Canadian home as he remembered it, and once he had spoken of a sister, four years younger than himself. He talked to me in his own tongue for I had studied French and these frequent chats helped me wonderfully in understanding the ordinary conversation! But that has nothing to do with the story.

His sister was four years old when the family emigrated to the states. They came in a stuffy emigrant car to Wells River, where they were obliged to wait several hours before another train brought them down into the home which they had not seen but had chosen. And here is where the sad part of the story begins. From that day dates the appearance of the cloud of affliction which for twelve years has hung over the little family in their dingy apartments on Aiken street. This is how it happened. Armand, just like every boy, was throwing stones into the black waters which flow nearly up to the railway platform at Wells River. Pierre Lambert had nonchalantly scratched a match on the caboose of his homespun pants, lighted his pipe and had then sat down on a baggage truck to smoke.

The little girl had tired of playing with the locket which hung about her neck, and had been comfortably ensconced in a depot settee to sleep, while Madam Lambert watched Armand throw stones into the water.

What happened then can be told in less words than Armand used in telling me. The south bound train dashed into the depot, the mother in the confusion boarded the train, thinking Pierre had the child. Pierre didn't understand it that way, and so he got aboard. Armand was old enough to look out for himself. But the little girl!

The train started before they were aware of their misfortune. Madam wailed. Pierre gesticulated wildly to the conductor, and Armand cried because his mother did.

But the conductor couldn't understand French. He punched the two tickets which Pierre presented and felt like punching Pierre for acting like a crazy man. They never heard from their child again.

Six months ago Armand told me that he was in love. The day before yesterday he was married to a pretty French girl named Marie. She worked in a Lawrence mill. I can't write her last name, for I am not far enough along in my study of the language. I had an invitation to the wedding, but could not go; so that evening I called on my friend and his wife. Armand and she were sitting close together on a low seat. Madam Lambert was vigorously punching her fire in the old stove, and Pierre was drawing solemnly at the old pipe he had smoked in Canada.

Armand and his wife seemed to be very happy. She was shy and toyed nervously with a chain which hung about her neck. "We are going to have our pictures taken tomorrow," said Armand, "and Marie has a locket for them, and we can always, in years to come, see how we looked when we were married." Marie gave a little pull at the chain and out popped a locket from her bosom. Armand's mother took the locket excitedly in her hand. She screamed; the tears came into her eyes and seizing Marie in her arms she cried "Armand you have married your sister."

I withdrew unnoticed. Pierre had dropped his pipe in consternation, madam still held her daughter in her arms. Armand and Marie were weeping. Perhaps they wept for joy at the re-union. Perhaps they grieved at marriage ties so quickly severed. Which I know not.

A HEAD ALL ROUND.

We are ahead all around on Women's Shoes, but we make the same claim for our Men's Department.

If you'd come in, look at our display this month, you would be just as enthusiastic as we are.

The variety in shape, the variety in style, and the variety in color. It is a revelation to one who is not posted on footwear this season.

Don't imagine shoes are beneath any one's notice simply because they are under our feet. That is why we have Cushion Sole Boots for Ladies'. In appearance they resemble Cork Sole Boots, but they are better. They are flexible and a non-conductor of heat and cold. Cushion Sole Boots supply all the requirements of health, handsome in form, style and finish, and unexcelled for ease and grace in walking. Sold in Lowell only by

O'SULLIVAN BROS.

Opposite City Hall.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

GILL—The funeral of Mary Gill took place this afternoon and service was held at St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. McManus officiating. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery.

McNAMARA—The funeral of Winnie McNamara occurred this afternoon and the remains were taken to St. Peter's church where service for the dead was held. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

RILEY—The funeral of the late Miss Alice J. Riley occurred yesterday forenoon from the home of her parents, 8 Cedar street and was very largely attended. Funeral services were held at St. Peter's church, Rev. Fr. McManus officiating. The choir rendered Schmidt's mass and Mr. James J. Donnelly sang in a most pathetic manner, "I Love to Hear My Savior's Voice." As the funeral cortege was leaving the church the choir sang in most touching tones "Nearer My God to Thee." The deceased was a well known and highly esteemed young lady. To know her was to like her. Besides a father and mother she is survived by four sisters. Among the many floral offerings were; a pillow inscribed, "Sister," from her sisters; harp with broken strings, inscribed, "My Alice," James T. Hennessey; star and crescent with the word, "Alice," Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pearson, Roxbury; mammoth wreath and base inscribed, "Forewell," Misses Kittie Baxter and Margaret Frawley; wreath with the inscription, "Alice," Miss Annie Connelly; spray of 20 cala lillies, Misses Sarah and Lizzie Tighe; basket, Miss Nellie Riley; cross and base inscribed, "Farewell," Miss Annie Carmichael, Miss Maggie Powers, Miss Mamie Brady, Miss Susie Donnelly and Miss Regina Girard; open book, inscribed "D. C. A. '96 Classmate, from Decombe Commercial college; star, crescent and bar inscribed, "At Rest," Mr. George Robinson; spray, 20 white pinks, Mrs Agnes Cassidy; spray, roses and lillies, Miss Kittie Crowley; spray, lilies, Misses Etta and Alice Tighe; spray, pinks, Miss Grace Gormley; spray, lillies, Miss Lizzie Cusick; spray, roses, Rafferty family; spray chrysanthemums, Miss Emma Teague; spray of roses, Misses Mamie and Nellie Lynch; spray of pinks, Miss Mary Coleman; spray of roses, C. Barlow; anchor and bar, with the word "Alice," Miss Mary Meehan; sprays of pinks from Misses Jennie and Mable Lyons, Margaret Garrigan, Marietta Leo, Rose Swift, and a friend; spray of roses, Mrs. O'Hare; spray of chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McCartin; spray, J. Crowley and Wm. Dunnigan of North Chelmsford.

The bearer were Messrs. Jas. T. Hennessey, John McKenna, Edward Lowney, Wm. Higgins, James Carroll and Edward Farrell.

The ushers were Messrs. W. Meloy, Wm. D. Ragen, Thomas Rowers, Wm. Nevlin, John Carney, Wm. McGrade, Bernard Brown. Interment was in the Catholic Cemetery.

Died in a Barber Shop.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 12—A news special from Albany says that railroad commissioner Richards fell dead in a barber shop this morning.

When you need printing remember The Sun.

LATEST

TWO PERSONS SUICIDED

BODIES FOUND IN A BOSTON HOUSE.

The Gas Was Turned on Full Force and a Whiskey Flask Was Found Near the Bodies.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Mary L. Collins, occupying apartments on St. Botolph street, and Samuel P. Putnam of Chicago, were found dead on the floor of one of the St. Botolph street rooms this morning with the gas on full force. The woman was 20 years old and the man 50. A whiskey flask was also found. Both were lying on the floor completely clothed. Indications point to suicide.

Killed by a Train.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Giovani Parkett, while working on the Old Colony near Forest Hills this morning, was struck by a freight train and instantly killed. Aged 35.

Grand Jury Report.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Dec. 22.—The Suffolk county grand jury today returned 82 true bills and 22 no bills for the December term. The principal true bill is against Isaac F. Sawyer, a Boston lawyer charged with the murder of the infant child of Mrs. Minnie Hanson, Jan. 6, 1896. "No bill" against Michael Flaherty, charged with the murder of his sister Bridget Fallon, Oct. 21.

HOT FROM THE WIRE.

Count Tranit Mandorff Weinsberg, president of the Austrian House of Lords, is dead.

Lasker, won the tenth game in the chess match against Steinitz, after 40 moves.

Wm. Stone, an employe of the highway department of Marblehead, Mass., was probably fatally injured this morning by being run over by his wagon.

Contrary to advice of the advisory board of National Mule Spinners' association, the spinners of the Lyman mill of Holyoke struck this morning.

Ringing

Noises in the ears, sometimes a roaring, buzzing sound, or snapping like the report of a pistol, are caused by catarrh, that exceedingly disagreeable and very common disease. Loss of smell or hearing also results from catarrh. Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, is a successful remedy for this disease, which it cures by purifying the blood.

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DEATHS.

HASKELL—Harriet, widow of the late Theodore Haskell, died at Dracut, Dec. 10, aged 71 years. The funeral will occur from the residence of her son-in-law, Fred A. Maynard, tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

ATHERTON—Elizabeth Frances Atherton died in Lawrence yesterday afternoon. She was born in Lowell 44 years ago but had resided in Lawrence for 24 years. Besides her husband and three children she is survived by two brothers, William Meloy and Assistant Engineer Edward Meloy of this city.

LOCAL NOTES.

The petition for the recount of the aldermanic vote was presented to the city clerk today. The recount will be conducted by the registrars.

Mr. Cavanaugh, tailor, has just get out two original style garments. Gentlemen's smoking jacket, made out of dark green velveteen plush, cut seamless with Shaw collar, lined with plaid Scotch goods; when reversed makes a walking sack coat for street wear. Ladies' box reefer, cut seamless with only one seam in the back, made of dark green montinac edges corded with dark green velvet cuffs, military collar, silk lined. Latest fad of the day.

Marriage Intention.

The only intention recorded at the city clerk's office today was Alphonse Lebeau 34 to Eulalie Gelineau 34.

"Nana" The World Famous Painting Coming to Lowell.

The famous painting "Nana", the work of the Russian artist, Marcel de Suchorowsky, will make its first appearance in Lowell on Monday next, December 14th, and will hold its receptions daily at Urban hall, (rear of Old City hall), where suitable premises have been secured for the purpose.

This Morning's Fire.

The fire for which an alarm of fire was rung this morning was in an upstairs tenement at 51 Marginal street, occupied by Hugh Kay. It caught from an overheated stove in the kitchen. The damage was slight.

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Was it a fit of the blues that led the Nashua Telegraph to be printed in blue ink?

The Venezuelan question is settled. Now the Cuban trouble should be wound up.

Mad dogs, anarchists and assassination cranks should stand equally before the law in this country.

At the present rate of A.P.A. evanescence, the state secretary and president will soon be on their uppers.

In Taunton caucus nominations did not count. All successful candidates ran on independent tickets.

The five bolting silver senators are of opinion that they will fare best by holding aloof from their former associates.

The Sultan's wrath will not frighten Uncle Sam. It is high time that the Eastern question were brought to a crisis.

Alfred Leblanc in a card of thanks to those who supported him proclaims himself still a republican. This is like turning the other cheek to his smiter.

The salary of purchasing agent has not yet been fixed and it seems that as the office will not exist until after January first, it might then be time enough to fix the salary.

Some of our gold bug contemporaries are saying real smart things of Mr. Bryan but the fact remains that history has no account of such a campaign as conducted mainly by McBryan in person.

Bryan's account of his "First Battle" should be interesting. His second battle for the presidency will probably be more successful. The people will then be better educated upon the money question.

Maceo has been reported dead for the seventh or eighth time. He will again be resurrected and will yet make Weyler tremble. Maceo is led on in his warfare with the Spaniards by the memory of nine brothers who died that Cuba might be free.

It is an unusual occurrence to hear a priest request his congregation to pray for a Protestant pastor. That is what Fr. Docey, a distinguished divine, did last Sunday in behalf of Rev. Dr. Houghton, an Episcopal minister of Brooklyn, who is very ill.

The bill passed by the national house to put the national capital under prohibition is idiotic. Does anybody suppose that any such law will prevent the people from getting drink in Washington. The bill will probably never become law, but if it should it will be speedily repealed.

The Fall River Globe thus sizeth Hanna's pull on the Major:

"Hanna alone will decide," says an exchange, "whether or not he will enter McKinley's cabinet." We guess that's right, and we wouldn't be surprised if he, also decided this question for the other fellows who are aspirants for preferment in this line.

The Mail is now telling how much it did for no-license and how very intolerant of that policy its contemporaries are. The Mail was in favor of both sides. It was directly for no-license, indirectly for license, and did five times as much for its indirect policy as for the other. The Mail is true to neither.

The opinion of B. D. O'Connell, Esq., on the meaning of the revised charter as given at length in another column will make interesting reading. He demonstrates by a correct process of legal ratiocination that after January, Mayor Courtney will have the power of appointing the heads of departments.

The Taunton Herald has the following in which we heartily concur:

There is one feature of the opening of congress that should be abolished and that is the giving of flowers to the senators and representatives. These flowers are not tributes from an admiring public, as many suppose, but are the gift of the clerks and pages who feel obliged to buy them in order to "keep in" with their employers. The congressmen do not need the flowers and most of them do not want them, and it is both wrong and foolish that they should be given out of the hard-earned wages of the employes.

LICENSE TROUBLE IN BOSTON.

Boston has had a great license scare, viz., a scare among the friends of licence and all on account of the action of the police commission in transferring licenses from the business sections of the city to the residential districts.

The no license people were working up a great sentiment in their favor, when Gov. Wolcott interfered and asked the police commission to define their policy on this question.

The result is that there will be no more transfers and Boston will have license, at least for another year.

Some of the extremists, however, will have a bill in the next legislature for ward option, which would have the effect of concentrating the business in spots and greatly multiplying its evils.

WEYLER IS BACK

After a Vain Search for Maceo.

HE IS GREETED WITH ENTHUSIASM

On His Arrival at the Cuban Capital.

Habana, Dec. 12.—Captain General Weyler arrived once more in this city at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon on horseback, accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel Escribano and others of his staff, and by a cavalary escort.

The streets of Habana were thronged with people, and the houses of the town had been gaily decorated with bunting in anticipation of the captain general's return. The Plazas Armas in front of the captain general's palace was packed with a vast concourse of people.

The Marques Ahumada, vice governor general, accompanied by the colonel of his staff, met Captain General Weyler at the entrance of the palace. Immediately after entering the palace General Weyler appeared on the balcony bowing his acknowledgements to the vivas which the multitude in the square were shouting for Spain, Spanish Cuba, the king, the queen, the army, the navy and the volunteers.

General Weyler made a brief address, in the course of which he said: "I have only directed. The army has done all."

Various delegations, both civil and military, were received later by General Weyler at the palace, and they offered their congratulations upon the outcome of his operations in Pinar del Rio. Marques Ahumada also offered his congratulations upon the death of Maceo. General Weyler responded that the credit for the combination which had resulted in the fall of the Cuban chief was all due to Marques Ahumada, but the latter said he had only seconded his chief's plans.

The city was gaily decorated and illuminated in honor of the captain general's return.

There has been another attack by an insurgent band on the town of Guanabacoa, in which the insurgent leader Angueren was wounded. The attack was repulsed without serious damage.

Flurry at the Palace.

Cincinnati, Dec. 12.—A special to The Commercial Tribune from Key West says: An engagement has been reported in the west of Habana, 20 miles out, between large forces of the Cuban guerillas and a Spanish column. The details are not known, but an unusual flurry at the palace yesterday gave currency to the belief that the insurgents gained the day.

Women Deprived of Suffrage.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 12.—Owing to a controversy between the board of registrars and the assessors of this city, more than 300 names have been omitted from the lists of women voters, and that number will be deprived of the privilege of voting at next Tuesday's election. The registrars claim that a new list of this year's voters has been sent to the assessors, but the assessors claim that they have not received it. The registrars have refused to make out a duplicate, saying they have fulfilled the requirements of the law. The assessors say they have nothing but last year's lists. As many whose names were on last year's lists have moved, and many new voters have registered, the number of those who will be unable to vote is estimated at more than 300.

Trouble Over Military Matters.

Cleveland, Dec. 12.—On Monday Governor Bushnell will be officially requested by the Fifth regiment, Ohio National Guards, of this city, to order a military court to inquire into the proceedings of all the National Guard organizations in Cleveland, including cavalry and artillery, and to ascertain what was done with $9500 turned over to Adjutant General Axline by the Cleveland centennial committee for use at the military encampment in this city last summer. The trouble started when the Chamber of Commerce sought to aid the regiment by appointing a commission to collect and distribute funds for its maintenance.

Body of Patrick Connell Found.

Providence, Dec. 12.—The body of Patrick Connell, who had been missing for a week, was taken from the river yesterday afternoon. His head and right arm were missing, and while there is a murder theory, it is quite probable that the propeller of a large steamer had struck the body. Two men who were rowing on the river Thursday reported having seen a "floater," but before they could reach it a steamer passed by and the body disappeared. Connell drew his wages and was last seen after drinking in a saloon.

Condensed Milk Factory Opened.

Whitefield, N. H., Dec. 12.—The White Mountain Condensed Milk company opened its factory here yesterday and began operations. The factory is the third largest of its kind in New England, and has a capacity of a carload a day. Milk will be received from the farms along the line of the Maine Central and Boston and Maine railroads, besides many places having no railroad connection.

National Good Roads Congress.

New York, Dec. 12. — The National Good Roads' congress will meet in Orlando, Fla., Feb. 2, 1897. The executive committee, composed of Messrs. O'Neal, Palmer, Pell-Clarke, Gore, Jackson and Cheney, are putting forth their best efforts to make the congress a success. They are sending invitations signed by Mahlon Gore, the mayor of Orlando, to the governors, mayors and other prominent persons all over the United States. The formal invitations extended to other state governments and to the national government will be issued from the office of the governor of Florida.

Salary Grab Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Representative Boatner of Louisiana has introduced a bill increasing the salary of the speaker of the house from $8000 to $10,000, and of senators and representatives from $5000 to $7000.

Ten Thousand People Starving.

London, Dec. 12.—An Odessa despatch to The Daily News says that there are reports there of famine in the Amur districts, and that 10,000 people are starving there.

TIRED MOTHERS find help in Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives them pure blood, a good appetite and new and needed STRENGTH.

CONSCIENCE WORRIED HIM.

To Escape the Silent Monitor George Erb Confesses That He Is a Murderer.

Harrisburg, Dec. 12.—George Erb, aged 56 years, confessed to the police yesterday afternoon to the murder of a man named Edward Nutter, last February, in Fort Smith, Ark. Erb was driven to the confession by his conscience worrying his so that he could not rest. Immediately after having confessed he was sent to jail.

Erb has been in Harrisburg several days and yesterday afternoon he proceeded to the mayor's office, that he might give himself up and be relieved of the secret which he has been carrying for so many months. He originally came from Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county; and went west some years ago, where he lived for some time, and met a woman named Miss Ella Hicks.

Erb and Miss Hicks soon drifted to Fort Smith, Ark., and while boarding at a hotel met Edward Nutter. It did not take them long to learn that the stranger had over $100 in his possession. This Erb and Miss Hicks resolved to secure, and a dose of poison was given to Nutter. The money secured, they immediately left for Memphis, where they lived together, and shortly afterward learned that Nutter had died from the effects of the poison. This information caused Erb much uneasiness, and he found it impossible to remain with the woman who had assisted him in the poisoning. Accordingly he left Memphis and wandered about the country, finally arriving in Harrisburg.

District Attorney Detweiler will investigate the case. Mayor Patterson first thought possibly the man was only trying to secure transportation to Memphis, but it soon developed that he was sincere in what he told. Worry compelled him to confess, and he declares that he wants to be punished for his wrongdoing.

Erb is a stonecutter by trade. He says he intended only to give Nutter "knockout drops," and never thought for a moment of killing him. Miss Hicks is still in Memphis, having recently written to Erb's brother in Springfield, O.

Old Landlord No More.

Saco, Me., Dec. 12.—Colonel Silas A. Gurney, one of the oldest and best known of hotel proprietors in New England, died suddenly yesterday afternoon of neuralgia of the heart. His age was 63 years. When a young man he engaged in the grocery business here, and later became proprietor of York hotel. When this hotel was burned he went to Boston and assumed management of the Tremont House, and later the Revere House. Owing to poor health he retired from business in Boston about a dozen years ago. For several years he managed the Mount Mansfield House in the Green mountains, and had charge there when that house was burned several years ago. Of late he has spent his summers at Bay View and his winters at the Fifth Avenue hotel, New York. He leaves a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Edward De Lima of New York city.

Will Oppose Gompers' Re-election.

Cleveland, Dec. 12.—The Cleveland delegates to the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which will meet in Cincinnati next week, will use their influence toward the defeat for re-election of the president, Samuel Gompers. The bicycle workers, electrical workers, shipbuilders' helpers and bricklayers have all so instructed their delegates. The cause given is that Mr. Gompers has so long been at the head of the federation that he is too conservative, whereas occasions often arise calling for aggressive action.

Hubert Crackenthorpe Missing.

London, Dec. 12.—The Chronicle records the mysterious disappearance in Octobe of the author, Hubert Cracken-October of the author, Hubert Crackenis feared that he has met with an accident or foul play.

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SULTAN IS MAD

He Wants Pres. Cleveland to Apologize.

BUT HIS RAGE SCARES NOBODY HERE.

He Says He Will Recall the Turkish Minister.

New York, Dec. 12.—A special to The World from Washington says: President Cleveland has been called to account by the Sultan of Turkey. An emphatic protest has been made by the Turkish government against the language used in the president's message to congress respecting the massacre of the Armenians and the general conduct of the government toward the Christians in the empire.

The situation is said to threaten the rupture of the diplomatic relations between the United States and Turkey. Mustapha Bey, the Turkish minister, it is rumored at the state department, has intimated that if some amend is not made by the president he will be obliged to ask for his papers and will return to Constantinople.

The deep displeasure of the sultan was made known to Secretary Olney on Thursday by Mustapha Bey in accordance with a cablegram received by him on Wednesday from his home government.

American missionaries are also accused by the Turkish government of inciting the subjects of the sultan to sedition.

Will Buy Inaugural Gowns.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Mrs. William McKinley arrived in Chicago over the Pennsylvania road yesterday. She was accompanied from Canton by Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette McWilliams of Chicago. After telegraphing her husband of her safe arrival she was driven to the McWilliams residence. Her visit here is for the purpose of securing a much needed rest after the long strain of the late presidential campaign, and no public receptions have been planned. During her stay here, Mrs. McKinley will do her Christmas shopping and buy her inaugural gowns. There is a probability of President-elect McKinley coming to Chicago in about a week and accompanying his wife back to Canton, though this has not been fully decided upon.

New History of Modern Times.

London, Dec. 12.—The Athenaeum announces today that Lord Acton has undertaken to edit for the Cambridge university press a 12-volume history of modern times, beginning with the renaissance. Each subject is to be assigned to a competent specialist. For example, W. E. H. Lecky is to write on the reign of George IV, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley on Napoleon in Egypt, Payne on the discovery of America, Professor Frederick Pollock on the results of international law, etc. The contributors are to include James Bryce, Professor Flint, John Morley, Professor Creighton, Professor S. R. Gardiner, Professor Hutton, Professor Jebb and others.

Filibuster Dauntless Seized.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 12.—The schooner Dauntless, that has achieved such a reputation as a filibuster, has been seized by the government on complaint of the Spanish consul that she was contemplating another expedition. Her papers were taken away and an officer from the Boutwell put on board. On demand of Owner Bisbee's lawyer, her papers were returned, but he was informed that she could not leave the harbor until he had made affidavit that she was not going on any expedition, save with a revenue officer on board. Bisbee intimates that the collector here will be sued, as also the captain of the Boutwell for seizure.

Reception to Be Given McKinley.

Canton, Dec. 12.—H. S. Moses and Joseph A. Baur, as representatives of the Canton Business Men's association, called on Major McKinley yesterday to consult him in regard to having him the guest of honor at the annual banquet of the association, which is usually held early in January. It was thought advisable to give all the people, without regard to business or political connections, an opportunity to extend farewell words to President-elect McKinley before he goes to the national capital. The reception is to be under the direction of the Canton Business Men's association, and will occur shortly before Major McKinley leaves for Washington.

Regulators In Kentucky.

Jackson, Ky., Dec. 12.—Thomas Bernett was fatally shot by a mob of 15 men at his home. No cause is assigned and no arrests have been made. Five masked men took from his house George Deaton, aged 65, and administered 50 lashes. No one can conjecture why he was so mistreated. Deaton knows the men, but is threatened with death if he tells.

Shirt Factory to Start Up.

Provincetown, Mass., Dec. 12.—The Puritan shirt factory building, which has been closed for nearly four years, will be opened for business as soon as repairs can be made. Shaw Bros. of Fitchburg are the lessees of the building, which has a capacity of 200 machines, and can employ 300 operatives.

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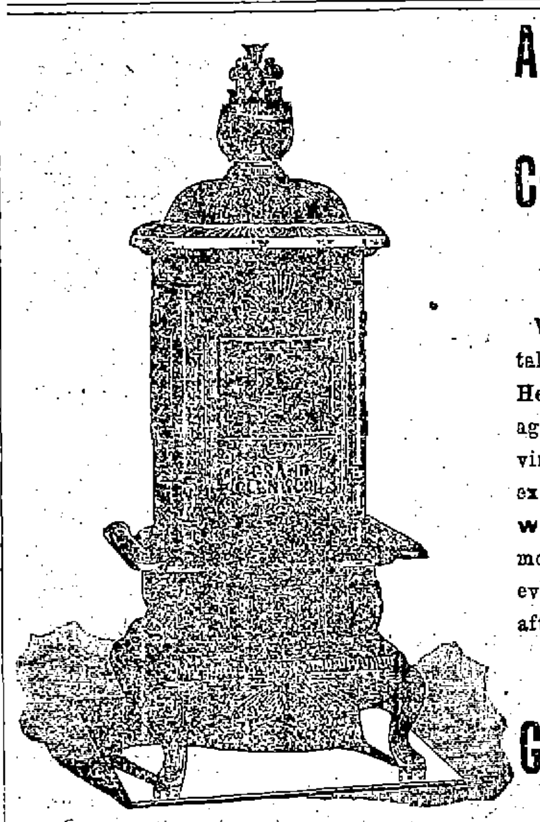

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Corrected to Oct. 4, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLESEX STREET DEPOT, LOWELL.

For Boston, at 6.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05 12.45, 2.30, 3.20, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 4.15, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Lawrence, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p.m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Haverhill, 6.30, 6.50, 8.30, 9.25 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Salem and Lynn, 12.05, 5.10 p. m.
For Newburyport and Amesbury, 6.30 a. m. 12.05, 2.30, 4.05, 6.15 p. m.
For Exeter and Dover, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p.m.
For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 4.05 p. m.
For Somersworth, N. H., Salmon Falls, Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.50, 8.30 a.m.; 12.05, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p.m.
For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 8.30 a.m.; 12.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Lewiston, 8.30 a. m; 12.05, 5.10 p. m.
For Bangor, Belfast, and way stations, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Skowhegan and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.
For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., and the Provinces, 5.10 p. m., except Saturday; SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Montreal and Quebec, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. (5.10 does not run Saturdays); SUNDAY, 5.30 p. m.
For Eastport and St. John (per steamer), on Mondays and Fridays, 12.05 p. m.
For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Rockland), Tuesdays and Friday at 5.10 p. m.
†Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

Southern Division.

On and After Oct. 4, 1896, Trains Leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as Follows:

For Boston, 5.45, 6.30, ¶6.50, *7.45, *8.50, 9.30, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, ¶3.00, 4.25, ¶5.35 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains Leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.48, 6.33, ¶6.52, 7.01, 7.18, *7.27, 7.33, *7.48, *8.57, 9.03, *9.50, 11.03, 11.42 a. m. 12.16, 1.43, ¶3.03, *3.56, 4.00, 4.28, 5.22, 5.38, 6.21, 7.51 p. m. SUNDAYS, *7.18, *7.27, 8.48, *9.10 a. m.; 4.25, 5.53 p. m.
For Woburn, 6.30, 7.01, 7.33, 7.45, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.28, p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m., 4.25, 5.53 p. m.
*Express. ¶Via Bedford.
For Lawrence, 6.30, 10.00 a. m.; 4.15 p. m.
For Salem, and Way Stations, 7.33 a. m.; 1.28, 5.53 p. m.
For Ayer Junction, and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.00, 5.00 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS 2.15 p. m.
For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.13 a. m.; 1.00, 2.43, 6.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 2 p. m.
For Greenfield, Peterboro', Bennington, Hillsboro' and Keene, 9.13 a. m. and 3.43 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Greenfield, 2.00 p. m.
For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.13, 9.40, 10.09 a. m; 12.09, 1.00, 1.40, 3.43, 5.40, 6.17, 8.13, 8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 10.00 a. m. (to Nashua only) 3.08 a.m., 2.00, 6.02, 8.12, 8.40 p.m.
For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.13, 9.40 a. m; 12.09, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, †8.12 p. m.
For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction—7.40, 9.13 a. m; 1.40 p. m.
For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville via Wells River—9.40 a.m; 1.40, †8.40 p. m.
For Montpelier, Montreal, Essex Junction, Burlington and St. Albans, via Central Vermont line—9.40 a. m.; 12.09, †8.13 p. m.
For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line—9.40 a. m.; †8.40 p. m.
Quebec Express via Plymouth and Sherbrooke—1.40, 8.40 p. m., daily except Sunday.
† Daily for Montreal.

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New Goods Arriving Every Week.

A SUDDEN DEATH

James R. Hendrick Passes Away in a Cab

WHILE ON HIS WAY TO HIS HOME.

Deceased Was Prominent in Railroad Circles.

Boston, Dec. 12.—J. R. Kendrick, third vice president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, with headquarters at the Park square station, this city, died in a cab on his way to his home on Newbury street just before 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Rheumatism of the heart was the cause.

The fact of Mr. Kendrick's death was not learned until the cabman opened the carriage door to permit his passenger to alight.

Mr. Kendrick's private secretary states that his superior was apparently as well as ever when he left the station for his home. A physician was summoned and he pronounced the cause of death to have been rheumatism of the heart. Mr. Kendrick lived with two nieces, his wife having died two years ago.

Mr. Kendrick has been associated with railroading in New England many years, and with the management of the Old Colony road since 1871. During his long service he had much to do with the remarkable development of the road, of which he was either general superintendent or general manager from 1871 to the time of the lease by the New York, New Haven and Hartford, when he was made third vice president.

Mr. Kendrick was a native of Lebanon, N. H. In June, 1852, he commenced railroad work in the superintendent's office of the Sullivan railroad at Charlestown, N. H. Shortly after Mr. Kendrick went to the Vermont Central railroad—in November of the same year—and filled the position of paymaster, which he retained up to November, 1854. At this date he accepted a position on the Concord railroad at Concord, N. H., filling several important offices.

Then his service was secured by the Boston and Lowell railroad as general freight agent, and freight agent at Boston, up to June, 1866; and then he returned to Concord, N. H., and assumed the office of general superintendent of the Concord railroad.

In June, 1866, there was a general desire on the part of the south to reconstruct the southern railroads and extend the lines projected before the opening of the war. The Andersons and Traftons and the Averys had passed out of southern knowledge. The most important work of railroad reconstruction at the south at this time was the opening of the line between Mobile and New Orleans. General George Stark, then of the Boston and Lowell and the Lowell and Nashua railroads, at once recommended Mr. Kendrick. Mr. Kendrick went, and in November, 1870, assumed the position and did his work well.

After finishing this he returned to his northern home, and was offered the superintendency of the Northern Pacific, the superintendency of the Connecticut and Passumpsic and that of the Maine Central, all of which he declined, but when his old friend, Governor Onslow Stearns, was called to the presidency of the Old Colony railroad in 1871, Mr. Kendrick was made superintendent.

In 1893, when the Old Colony and the New York and New Haven railroads were consolidated, Mr. Kendrick was at once made vice president of the Consolidated, having charge of the Boston end of the line, including the boat service.

The Amsden Plant Sold.

Penacook, N. H., Dec. 12.—H. H. Amsden & Sons' furniture manufacturing plant here was sold last night by the assignee, John C. Pearson of Concord, to Paphro D. Pike of Boston at private sale. Mr. Pike and his associates, who have formed a company, will at once fit up the plant for the manufacture of wood and metal goods. From 75 to 150 people will be employed.

Sullivan Fell From the Roof.

Boston, Dec. 12.—The finding of Daniel Sullivan's hat upon the roof of the house where he lived at South Boston has convinced the police that the man who was found lying in the street Wednesday evening, bruised, with broken bones and nearly dead, sustained his injuries, which resulted in his death, by falling from the roof, and not in a street fight as was at first believed.

Autopsy on Mrs. Welsh's Body.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 12.—An autopsy was held here yesterday over the body of Mrs. Mary Highland Welch, who died in the insane asylum at Augusta Thursday, but the result will probably not be made public at present. Thomas Welch, husband of the dead woman, came home yesterday morning. He was intoxicated, and has been arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Non-Union Man Assaulted.

South Framingham, Mass. Dec. 12.—A non-union man named Nelson Pierce, who is employed at the shoe factory of Gregory Shaw & Co., having begun work since the recent strike was started, was assaulted and severely beaten and kicked by three men at noon yesterday. The men escaped, but Pierce says he can identify them.

Annie Kervan Returns Home.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Miss Annie Kervan, who was said to have eloped from Melrose last Friday with John Barmer, a married man, has returned to her home. She denies that she went away with Barmer, and says she spent the past week at the home of her cousin in Yonkers, N. Y.

Diphtheria Epidemic Spreads.

Providence, Dec. 12.—The diphtheria epidemic made a fresh start yesterday with 10 additional cases and two deaths, making a total of 30 cases in three days. The health officers say that the carelessness of afflicted families is the cause for the spread of the infection.

Not Engaged to Lizzie Borden.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 12.—Orvin A. Gardner of Swansea, whom rumor says is engaged to be married to Lizzie A. Borden, who was tried for murder and found not guilty, emphatically denies that the published stories are true.

She Had Been Intoxicated.

Providence, Dec. 12.—Annie Mudge, aged 30 years, while attempting to board a barge on the water front yesterday afternoon, fell from the gangplank into the water. Although several men fished for her with boathooks, she drowned before their eyes. She had been intoxicated previous to her death.

HOSFORD CLUB ANNUAL

HELD ITS FIRST GRAND CONCERT AND BALL

In Associate Hall Last Evening—Pretty Decorations—The Music For Two Dances Composed by a Club Member—Over 300 Couples Attended.

Thirty young men in dress suits managed the pretty little party in Associate hall last evening.

They were the Hosford club members enjoying their experience in the direction of their first grand concert and ball.

It was a successful party just as is every affair conducted by the popular organization of young men.

Upon the stage "Joe" Hibbard's orchestra sat in the midst of the prettiest decorations and settings ever seen. Pink, white and green tasseled bunting was suspended in dainty folds around the stage while overhead was a beautiful canopy of pink and lace. Potted plants and ferns were banked along the front of the stage which was bordered with bunting and tinselled stars.

The center-piece was a huge bell of bunting and in the rear was the figure "96" in a circular background.

An old feature that always proved attractive was revived. It was the floor decoration in wax, artistically done by Michael Cuff an honorary member of the club. It was in the shape of a wreath six by five feet in colored wax.

The centre ring was in red, white and blue, forming a border work for the motto "Welcome to the Hosfords." Around this was the club emblem, three owls.

From 8 to 9 oclock the orchestra rendered several concert numbers; and shortly after 9 the march was started. It was led by Floor Marshal John F. McNabb and Miss Laura Perham, in pink silk; General manager James McCusker, and Miss Annie Breen in blue silk; Assistant General Manager John J. Driscoll and Miss Annie Carey in white silk; Chief Aid Lewis A. Lovering and Miss Lizzie Sullivan in a gown of pink silk, and Miss Margaret Maguire, who also wore a dress of pink silk.

After the march the circle was formed and then the dancing continued till 2 o'clock this morning with an intermission for supper, which was served at the Merrimac house.

Two of the dance pieces were composed by W. Kendall Hallowell, an honorary member of the club, namely, a waltz, "Sweet Mabel," and the "Hosford Club Schottische."

The officers of the evening were:

General manager, James A. McCusker.
Assistant general manager, John J. Driscoll.
Floor marshal, John F. McNabb.
Assistant floor marshal, Edward J. Burns.
Aids—Lewis A. Lovering, chief aid; William J. Collins, Charles L. LeClair, Timothy E. Flynn, Patrick F. Noonan, Thomas E. Bertrain, Henry C. McDonald, George E. Schermerhorn, Michael J. Hogan, William F. Egan, Frank R. Brown, John T. Gorman, Joseph A. McMahon, Dennis J. Kelley.
Reception committee—Charles F. McManus, chairman; George A. Adams; Henry R. Shenhard, George F. Whittemore, John J. Cuff, Michael E. Powers, Napoleon J. Cook, Antino E. Nault, Frank E. McOsker, William J. Hoar, John J. Mahan.
Frederic E. Gendron, secretary and treasurer.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Music Hall.

The Bohemian Burlesquers at Music hall are giving a rattling good performance. Their musical skit, "In Bohemia," is entertaining, the farce, "The Turkish Bath," is funny, and the olio is good. In this appear the Hill sisters, singers and dancers, Phil and Hattie Mills, a Dutch comedy sketch team; Mae Lowery, a pleasing singer; Billy Van and Viva Nobriga, with a pleasing skit; and Jere Mahoney, a singer of descriptive song.

Among the best things in the performance are Miss Nobriga's singing, in true coster dialect, of Chivalier's famous "Knocked 'em in the Old Kent Road," and the Cowboy Quartette in a cowboy madrigal, "Wot t'ell."

Monday, Dec. 14, for three nights at Music hall will be presented for the first time at popular prices, the sensational comedy drama "Kidnapped." Mr. D. K. Higgins is the author and also a capable actor, who has prospered well for several years, throughout the country in sterling plays, as the hero of which he has become popular with many audiences.

Mr. Higgins as the German Dude is very clever. Officer McMooney, his wife, daughter, and the latter's young man, the dude, figure prominently in the piece, and their domestic life, while not one of unclouded joys is laughable to see. "Kidnapped" should draw full houses at every performance.

The Savoy.

Next week—For the week beginning Monday, Dec. 15th Mr. Kendal Weston and the Savoy theatre company will produce Robertson's beautiful comedy of "Caste" with all the care as to scenery and appointments that have been the rule at this pretty theatre in all previous productions. There is a wide spread interest being shown throughout the city in this comedy as it has always been a great favorite and will undoubtedly draw large houses. Mr. Weston as Dalroy, Mr. Burress as Old Eccles will be most happy in their roles while Miss Edsall will assume a leading part in her usual artistic style. Everybody should make it a point to witness this most most wholesome and beautiful of comedies. It has enjoyed some long runs at some of the best theatres both in this country and England and was a favorite bill of the late Lester Wallacks.

Coming Events.

In St. Patrick's school hall tomorrow evening, the Catholic Lyceum will give a grand concert and among those who will appear are Kendal Weston, Miss May Donnelly, Mrs. Hugh Walker.

Huntington hall should be crowed tomorrow evening when the grand concert in aid of the Sacred Heart church will be held. The chorus will number 100 voices and will be assisted by the Lowell Military band. The concert will be under the direcion of James A. Murphy.

The second annual assembly of the Friends Social club will be held in Associate hall, Jan. 1, 1897.

Police Court—Hadley, J.

Twelve drunks.

George Reynolds appealed from a sentence of 7 months at the state farm for drunkenness.

Joseph Buckley got 5 months in jail.

Susan Secord was on the court list, charged with adultery, though there was no second defendant. She was discharged without trial, as the government didn't care to try the case on the evidence. There was a warrant issued for her, and she was arrested last night.

A number of old continued cases were disposed of.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

ON CIVIL SERVICE

Reference to Bryan in the Resolutions.

THE PLANK WAS LATER WITHDRAWN.

Praise For Pres. Cleveland and Mr. McKinley.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—There was a heated discussion at the afternoon session yesterday of the National Civil Service Reform league over one plank in the resolutions when they were offered by Chairman Bonaparte. The plank which caused the trouble was as follows: "The ignomious and well-merited defeat of the Democratic party at the polls at the recent election is a source of gratification."

There were a half dozen delegates on their feet, scrambling for recognition before the last word was out of the speaker's mouth. Colonel Ela of Chicago asked that the paragraph be stricken out, as he knew several persons who voted for William J. Bryan for president who were in hearty accord with civil service. N. H. Davis of Cincinnati also opposed the objectionable plank. The resolutions were finally referred back to committee, and when they came before the convention again the obnoxious paragraph had been stricken out. The resolutions adopted are as follows:

1. The National Civil Service Reform league, assembled in this, its 16th annual meeting, is compelled to notice the fact that during the past year, for the first time since its organization, its principles were openly repudiated and a revival of discarded abuses threatened in the platform put forth by a national convention and in the public declarations of a candidate for the presidency. The league cordially endorses the protest published during the contest by its executive committee against these mischievous and misleading utterances. It congratulates the country that the purpose thus foreshadowed to undo the good accomplished by persistent effort during a generation's space has failed of consummation, and records its hope that it may be called upon to meet no similar assault in the future.

2. The league heartily congratulates the country on the truly remarkable progress of the reform under the second administration of President Cleveland, and especially during the past year. For this great achievement, advancing, as it does, the fundamental principles of free government, President Cleveland deserves the sincere and heartfelt thanks of all good citizens.

3. The league recognizes in the president-elect a friend to civil service reform, who has rendered eminent service in the past to our cause. His record assures all other friends of the reform that it will be his desire, as well as his duty, to end what remains of the practice of using federal offices to reward personal or party service.

4. The league congratulates the state of New York upon the recent classification of its state and departmental service.

5. The league observes, with peculiar satisfaction, the remarkable increased number and activity of the agencies working for better government throughout the country.

6. The league renews its recommendation that the legislation requisite to place the municipal government and other local offices of the District of Columbia within the operation of the civil service law be enacted.

7. At its last annual meeting the league heard, with pleasure, of the commendable attempt of the postmaster general to extend the benefits of the classified service to many postmasters of smaller postoffices by consolidating their offices with those of the larger cities in the vicinity. This measure held out the promise of a considerable saving of public money and a marked increase in mail facilities, besides applying the merit system to a portion of the public service wherein its introduction is at once most desirable and attended with serious difficulties. The league has since seen, with regret and indignation, the practical frustration of this judicious measure through the selfish and unscrupulous hostility of certain senators and representatives, a hostility cloaked under various frivolous pretexts, but which could be inspired only by a desire to use the public patronage as rewards for personal adherents or party workers, and it urges upon congress that this eminently practical reform be no longer delayed.

The session closed last night with a banquet at the Hotel Walton, tendered to the National association by the Philadelphia branch. There were a number of distinguished men present, prominent among whom were Secretary of Agriculture Morton, Carl Schurz, Mayor Strong of New York, President Francis L. Patton of Princeton university, Hon. John R. Proctor, Charles Bonaparte of Baltimore, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, Horace E. Deming of New York, General William A. Aiken, Henry Villard of New York, Hon. H. A. Richmond, Everett P. Wheeler, Charles Richardson, Dorman B. Eaton, Lucius B. Swift, D. C. Gilman, Hon. D. D. Bruce, Dana Estes, Andrew Fiske and Stuart Wood. Letters of regret were received from Postmaster General Wilson and other eminent men who were prevented from attending.

Addresses were made by Secretary Morton, Mayor Strong of New York, Colonel John R. Proctor of Kentucky, Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, Charles J. Bonaparte of Baltimore, Cyrus B. Swift of Indiana and others.

Will Control National Democracy.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—The executive committee of the National Democratic party, at a meeting yesterday, delegated its powers in a general way to a subcommittee, composed of George Foster Peabody of New York, John S. Bullitt of Pennsylvania and W. B. Heldeman of Louisville. This committee, two members of which are in the east, will advise with Chairman Bynum. The members of the executive committee are so widely scattered that it was deemed advisable to create this small advisory committee. Chairman Bynum will remove at once to New York.

Senator Hoar Against Jingo Policy.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Hoar of Massachusetts will oppose the adoption of any of the radical Cuban resolutions which have been introduced in the senate, and he does not expect to see any of them go to the president. "I believe," he said, "that such matters should be left absolutely to the discretion of the executive."

Laurier Asks For Information.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Premier Laurier telegraphed to the British consul in Brazil yesterday asking for full information concerning the Canadians who recently emigrated to that country and who are now said to be destitute there. The government is considering the question of bringing those who are really destitute back to Canada.

TWO GRAND SERVICES

DEDICATION OF ST. JEAN BAPTISTE TOMORROW.

Solemnity of Feast of the Immaculate Conception—Beautiful Service at Immaculate Conception Church—Rev. Fr. Lawrence O. M. I., and Rev. L. J. O'Toole Will Preach—Archbishop Williams, Mgr. Pascal and Rev. C. Caisse at St. Jean Baptiste Church—Chorus of 80 Voices Will Sing—The Archbishop Will Bless the Church.

The new St. Jean Baptiste church will be dedicated tomorrow and it will be a notable occasion in the history of the local Catholic churches. The dedicating services will commence at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The Columbian orchestra will accompany the choir and render the overture Maritana, after which Archbishop Williams will bless the church. The solemn high mass will be celebrated by Mgr. Pascal and Rev. C. Caisse of Marlboro will preach the sermon. The singing will be by the choir of St. Jean Baptiste and St. Joseph's church. The Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus and Agnus Dei from Gounod's Messe Solemnelle, St. Cecilia, will be sung. At the offertory, the Rossini choir, Philias David, Jr., director will sing "Tu es Petrus" and the service will end with the grand march from Tanhauser by the orchestra.

The vesper service will commence at 6.30 in the evening, when a Wagnerian selection will be given by the orchestra. The psalms will be chanted and then Lambillote's beautiful magnificat will be sung by the choir. Mgr. Pascal will deliver a sermon on Indian missions. During the benediction, Miss R. Caisse will sing Rossini's "O Salutaris;" Mr. H. Alexander will render Cherubini's "Ave Maria;" and the united choirs will sing the Tantum Ergo by Goeb. At the close of the service the orchestra will play the sortie, "The Columbian." There will be 80 voices in the choir with these soloists: Soprano, Miss R. Caisse; tenor, Mr. H. Alexander; basso, Mr. E. Saurin. Miss A. Alexander will be organist and E. J. Pinault, musical director.

Tomorrow the solemnity of the great feast of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the Immaculate Conception church will occur at this church. The services will be grand, the advent observance being omitted by special permission of the Holy Father, the Pope. At 10.30 a solemn high mass will be celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Wm. D. Joyce, O. M. I.; assisted by Rev. Fr. Lawrence, O. M. I., deacon; and Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., sub-deacon. Rev. Fr. Lawrence, O. M. I., will preach. In the evening solemn vespers will be sung and the sermon will be preached by an eloquent and learned preacher, Rev. L. J. O'Toole of West Newton. There will be a procession of sodalities of the church, followed by solemn benediction. A feature of the service will be the congregational singing. During the procession several hymns will be sung, and the Te Deum will be sung at the conclusion of the service.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., spiritual director, and John McLaughlin, recording secretary, have issued a circular to the members of the Y. M. C. I. notifying the members of the quarterly communion, next Sunday being that preceding Christmas.

Breakfast will be served after mass, which will be celebrated at 7 o'clock. In the evening Rev. Fr. McManus will give an illustrated lecture in the main hall of the building on his recent trip abroad."

One of the committees of the Y. M. C. I. appointed to submit a list of officers to be balloted for, at the election to be held Dec. 31, has reported as follows: Pres., Henry C. Boulger; vice-pres., John P. Buckley; recording sec., James O'Sullivan; financial sec., John J. King; trustees, Timothy O'Sullivan, John Flanagan, Joseph Cox, Daniel J. O'Brien, John McSorley, Patrick Mooney, John McMahon, Simon Cavanaugh, James McMahon; board of examiners, D. McElholm, Wm. Sullivan, Charles Tobin; literary committee, Wm. Buckley, Thos. A. Roark, Bernard Tracey, John Radican; marshal, Michael J. Feeney; spiritual director and treasurer, Rev. John J. Dacey, O. M. I. The annual ball of the Institute will be held about Feb. 9.

The Oblate Fathers of the Immaculate Conception church will hold their annual retreat at their residence next week.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of next week will be ember days.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hall, George E. Ames, and Joseph L. Sedgley of this city were registered at the Manchester house, Manchester, N. H., Tuesday. Frank R. Starken of this city was a guest at the new City hotel in the same city.

The Lowell boys at Holy Cross college will arrive home for the Christmas holidays, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

It is announced that the marriage of William H. Merritt the well known catcher of the Pittsburg base ball team, and Miss Nellie V. Riley will take place Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 1.

Mr. Jesse Fay of San Mateo, Cal., is visiting in this city. He was formely a resident of Lowell. He has not been here before for 27 years.

Mr. and Mr. Frank Shaw and son have gone to Washington.

WHAT NEXT!

Republicans Will ask Legislature to Amend Police Bills.

Another surprise was the re-election of Mayor Courtney in Lowell. As a result of this it is asserted in some quarters that the citizens of Lowell will ask that the Lowell police bill be amended so as to make it like those of Boston and Fall River, as as far as appointment by the Governor is concerned. The designs of it would be to prevent unwise changes in the board of political purposes.—Citizen.

December's Postal Record.

The December number of the Postal Record, the organ of the United States letter carriers, contains in its Mutual Benefit association column a notice of the death of the late John J. Donahue, one of the local carriers, and a member of the association, who died last September. The secretary of the association in urging all who are not members to join at once quotes the case of Mr. Donahue as follows; "a young man in an eastern city who was one of the first members of the association wrote on his application; I was never sick. I never employed a physician. He was taken sick a short time ago and was dead in 48 hours.

He Was a Lowell Man.

Robert D. Currier who was killed by a train in East Boston, Thursday. Formerly resided here and has a mother and brother who live in this city.

NEW TARIFF BILL

The Program For Its Preparation Ready.

THE DEMOCRATS NOTIFIED OF THE PLANS.

Some Features of the Bill Settled.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The program of the ways and means committee to prepare a tariff bill for the extra session of congress was the only topic of discussion about the house yesterday, and met with general approval among the Republicans. It is expected that the bill will be brought forward very early in the extra session and passed under a rule fixing time for debate, so that its fate will be in the hands of the senate early. All of the Republican members of the ways and means committee have been re-elected to the next congress, and it is assumed that Mr. Reed will be again chosen speaker, and will not change the personnel of the committee; so that there is no probability that any effort will be made to do the work over again.

Yesterday Chairman Dingley had a conference with Mr. McMillin of Tennessee, the senior Democratic member of the committee, and officially stated the Republican plans. Mr. Dingley said that the hearings probably would begin with the holiday recess and continue through the holidays. To prevent them from dragging along indefinitely, a limited time may be assigned for testimony relating to each of the most important schedules. It is probable that the Democratic ways and means members will have a consultation upon the tariff within a day or two, although, of course, any opposition they might see fit to offer to the tariff program would be merely a matter of form. They are not pleased at the suggestion that Mr. Newland, the independent silver member from Nevada, who is a protectionist, be given Mr. Crisp's chair at the committee table. Speaker Reed seldom consults with the minority about committee appointments, and has not done so in this case.

Certain features of the new tariff bill have been practically decided upon already by the Republicans. Chairman Dingley is authority for the statement that the bill will be framed to prevent the use of the bonded warehouses by importers to escape the payment of higher duties as they were used when the McKinley bill was passed. To effect this there will be a clause providing that goods in storage in bonded warehouses when the new law goes into effect will pay the rates of that law and not those of the Wilson act, in operation when they were entered.

Those schedules of the Wilson law which have proved satisfactory, it is said, will not be disturbed. A member of the committee spoke of the cotton schedule as the most likely to remain unchanged. Having been guarded by Democratic protectionists in the senate, he said, its effects had been satisfactory to manufacturers and operatives, and the duties being specified were in accord with the Republican policy. The Wilson act ad valorem features will be done away with, it goes without saying.

The reciprocity system may be affected by the establishment of two schedules of articles on which concessions are desired from other countries, one scedule for goods when imported from countries which agree to reciprocity treaties, the other schedule for those which do not. Several conferences of the Republican ways and means men are expected before the hearings begin.

It is suggested by one of them that they may decide upon the schedules of the Wilson act which they will continue, and perhaps some McKinley act rates, which will be re-established, and will give hearings only on the remaining schedule, inviting the parties interested to furnish the committee the information which it wants. To finish the bill before March 15 the committee will be obliged to work faster than the ways and means committee did on the McKinley bill, and it might not be able to frame the new bill by the appointed date if hearings are given on all schedules.

The meeting of the ways and means committee of the house to formally adopt the program for work on a tariff bill will be held on Monday instead of today, as had been intended. Chairman Dingley learned that Mr. Turner of Georgia, one of the Democratic leaders, could not attend a meeting today, and therefore decided to postpone the call.

Webster Opera House Gutted.

Webster, Mass., Dec. 12.—The interior of the Webster Opera House was gutted by fire last night. Spontaneous combustion among baled hay stored in Clark's grain store in the lower part of the building is supposed to account for the fire. The damage to the Opera House is $4500. The building is owned by the St. Jean Baptiste society and is insured. Mr. Clark loses quite heavily by fire in his stock of grain and feed.

Last Seen In Boston.

Boston, Dec. 12.—Information was received last night that Charles S. Goodman, liquor dealer of West Springfield, has been missing since Nov. 30. He was seen in Boston on Dec. 1, having come here to pay a number of bills. He had a large sum of money with him when leaving home. He was 50 years old, and was 5ft. 8in. in height, light complexion and had moustache and whiskers.

Madrid Gets More Good News.

Madrid, Dec. 12.—Dispatches from Habana chronicle fresh victories over the insurgents. The queen will receive the wife of Major Cirujeda, who commanded the troops which killed Maceo. Major Cirujeda will be promoted to be a colonel. Many towns in Spain are offering swords in his honor.

After Two Wrong Doers.

New York, Dec. 12.—Detective Charles Gliddon arrived from Boston yesterday with requisition papers for Edward Records, the man who is charged with the embezzlement of $33,333. The detective also has papers for Simpson, a book swindler.

Father Conaty at Worcester.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 12.—Rev. Dr. Conaty, the newly appointed rector of Washington university, has arrived home from Washington. He will preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart Sunday, Jan. 10, and go to Washington the following week. He is to be given a reception by the faculty and students at Holy Cross college Monday evening, and later in the month will be given a banquet by citizens of Worcester in Mechanics' hall.

UNTIL NEW YEAR

Shere Will be No Improvement in Business.

THE IRON BUSINESS IS NOW DEMORALIZED.

Goods Accumulating on a Larger Textile Force.

New York, Dec. 12.—R. C. Dun & Co., in their weekly review of trade, say: The approach of holidays and doubt about the action of congress put off further improvement until the new year. While industries have gained in working force they are waiting for commensurate gain in demand and meanwhile are trying to clear away embarrassments which restrict them.

The wheat market has weakened, with less gloomy news from other countries and larger western receipts, though only 3,691,374 bushels, against 6,003,404 last year. Disappointment about the break in prices may help to increase receipts. Atlantic exports were but 2,775,651 bushels, flour included, and for two weeks have been but 4,748,118 bushels, against 4,172,448 last year. Pacific dispatches show that exports continue very heavy, and about 300,000 tons more are available from California. The market has declined 1¼ cents, and the decrease in demand for flour, with high rail rates, has closed nearly all the Superior, Duluth and many of the other northwestern mills.

Cotton has declined 3 1-16, in spite of all stories that the crop has been nearly marketed continue to come forward steadily. With over 5,000,000 bales in sight already, there are estimates based on government reports that the yield is 8,300,000 bales or less, which would leave but 3,300,000 to come forward in eight months and three weeks. When the official report first came there was a rush of buyers; a few minutes turned the current, and a rapid decline followed.

The iron output Dec. 1 was 142,278 tons, against 124,077 Nov. 1, and 216,797 a year ago, and unsold stocks reported were 31,901 tons smaller than Nov. 1, but these do not include stocks of the great steel companies. The entire industry is for the time demoralized by uncertainty regarding the great combinations. Until the future influence of these combinations is better defined, narrow trading must be expected, and Bessemer pig and gray forge are slightly lower.

The boot and shoe industry has reached the point where many of the cutters are no longer needed, though in finishing there is enough to do until the holidays on orders taken before the main advance. Buff and grain leathers have dropped about 1 cent, with scarcely any demand, though sole and union are unchanged, and the weakness in hides, which have again fallen about 4.4 per cent, making 11.3 per cent in three weeks, encourages jobbers to believe prices of boots and shoes cannot be maintained. Rubber receipts in December were 2500 tons, and visible supply of Para is 2948, fine being 82.12 cents, but manufacturers are holding off. Minor metals are generally weaker, tin at 12.90, copper at 11¼ for lake, and lead at 2.95 cents.

Textile industries are working a larger force than in October, but there is not much evidence of larger demand, and some kinds of goods are accumulating. As raw cotton is lower, some yielding in prices of staples is expected, and buying is on that account more restricted, a few qualities of goods having slightly declined. Print cloths are weak in tone, with enormous stocks. Woolen goods are not in better demand, and there is general indisposition to make commitments ahead. Sales of wool in two weeks, 14,378,900 pounds, against 11,999,200 last year, and 10,852,700 in 1892, are this year largely between traders, as the mills find at present little encouragement to buy, and London sales are a shade weaker. Quotations are not changed, though more frequent concessions are reported.

Failures for the week have been 380 in the United States, against 333 last year, and 43 in Canada, against 54 last year.

Accused of Having Burglars' Tool.

New York, Dec. 12.—Herbert H. Steele, said to be a graduate of Amherst college, and who the police of Brooklyn say is one of the finest mechanics in the country, was placed on trial yesterday in Brooklyn on an indictment charging him with having burglar tools in his possession. The man was arrested at Coney Island on Aug. 6 last. In 1891 he was convicted in Fitchburg, Mass., for forgery, serving a three years' term in the state prison at Boston. Steele, according to the police, is the maker of a number of burglar tools.

Icebergs Are Very Plenty.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The naval hydrographic office has issued a memorandum stating that according to reports received there are signs of an unusual season of icebergs on the North Atlantic. The bergs are not only making their appearance very early in the season (which does not ordinarily begin until January or February), but are getting dangerously near the west bound trans-Atlantic steamship tracks.

Coxey Leaves the Populists.

Massilon, O., Dec. 12.—J. S. Coxey, in an open letter addressed yesterday to Senator Marion Butler, denounced the "disgraced People's party," sold out to an "issue so insignificant as silver," and adds: "I decline to help chase rainbows of election frauds in Ohio, but hereby announce my resignation as a member of the national committee. I once left the Democratic party, and now find, in order to be out of it for sure, I must leave the once grand, but now disgraced, People's party. This is done in deep sorrow, and with the hope to join a party soon to which the hope of the republic must look for succor from financial and industrial ills."

Caught In Engine Fly Wheel.

Boston, Dec. 12.—John West, aged 68 years, employed as night watchman at the Boston Forge company's works in East Boston, was caught in the engine fly wheel last night and instantly killed. No one saw the accident, and when his body was picked up it was found to be horribly mangled. Mr. West was married and lived at Harbor View.

To Preserve Washington's Headquarters.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 12.—The Washington Headquarters association, a society for the preservation of the property at Princeton which George Washington occupied as headquarters during the Revolutionary War, was formed yesterday. The property was purchased, and will be preserved in its original condition.

SACRED HEART FAIR

To Open at Huntington Hall Tomorrow Night.

A fair of one week for the benefit of the Sacred Heart church will open with a grand concert at Huntington hall tomorrow night.

The best talent of the Catholic choirs of the city will appear and a delightful program is assured.

The program will be as follows:

Prelude, march, "London." Part one—Excerpts from Faust, Military band; Influulatus, Stabat Mater, soprano solo, chorus and band, Miss Ware; song for soprano, "Angel at the Window," Miss Adelaide Sullivan; The Race on the Saranac, Miss Joyce; song for bass, "Nazareth," with band accompaniment, Mr. David P. Martin; solo for cornet, "Columbia," Miss Gertrude Pratt; The Last Rose of Summer, Schubert Ladies' quartette.

Part two—For all Eternity, with flute obligato, Miss Nellie Murphy, obligato by Mr. William Bagley; song for tenor, "Loving Hearts," Mr. James A. Murphy; solo for clarinet, Serenade and Poldnaise, Master William Bagley; song for baritone, "The Holy City;" Mr. James E. Donnelly; Down on the Swanee River, Schubert Ladies' quartette; The Humors of Donnebrook, Military band; Gloria, 12th Mass, chorus with full band.

ART IS THE HANDMAID OF HUMAN GOOD LOWELL

Water Works

BLOW-OFF NOTICE.

Water will be blown from the city mains on Sunday, December 13th, between the hours of 1 and 5 p. m.
ROBERT J. THOMAS,
Supt. Water Works.

COLD WEATHER COMFORTS

We're going to need them very soon if what the weather prophets say is true. Seal Skin Gloves, Heavy Weight Underwear, new and handsome designs in Silk Mufflers, and Heavy Caps and Gloves are dividing attention with our superb line of gentlemen's furnishings at this time.

ARTHUR J. CUMMISKEY, 69 Merrimack Street.

Chritmas Candles

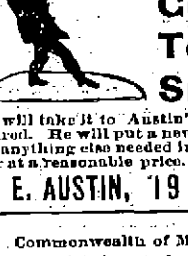
For Christmas Tree, Boudoir and Table use in

White and Colors

Candle Shades and Holders.

C. B. Coburn & Co.

63 AND 67 MARKET STREET.


This Umbrella Has Cone To Smash.

I will take it to Austin's and have it repaired. He will put a new cover on it and do anything else needed in a first class manner at a reasonable price.

C. E. AUSTIN, 19 Bridge Street.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

MIDDLESEX, SS. PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of Francois X. Cote, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased, intestate:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Jean B. D. Jacques of Lowell in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of December A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Daily Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least before said court.

Witness: Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

S. H. FOLSOM, Register.

GREAT SLAUGHTER SALE OF TRUNKS and BAGS

Our entire stock of TRUNKS, BAGS, POCKET-BOOKS, STRAPS, etc., to be Slaughtered at prices unheard of.

LOWELL TRUNK MANUFACTORY
P. DEVINE, Prop.,
70-72 Middlesex St. Old Wooden Building.

IF YOU WANT A CASE
Of the Leading Brands of
LAGER, JONES' ALE, Or PORTER
TELEPHONE.
J. H. RILEY,
Bottler, Nos. 96 and 102 Lakeview Avenue
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ORDER YOUR
FALL SUIT OR OVERCOAT AT
BERTRAND'S 24 Middle Street.

R. J. MOWER,
PRACTICAL
WATCHMAKER and OPTICIAN
285 Central Street.

WANT COLUMN.

LOST—Saturday, a. m., Dec. 12, a sum of money inclosed in a leather case, name of owner on inside of cover. Please return to Middlesex Steam laundry, 140 Middlesex street, and be rewarded.

JACQUARD MACHINIST—Schaum and Uhling are desirous of securing the services of a first-class, practical and experienced Jacquard Machinist to take charge of their Jacquard Department. All communications confidential. Address in writing giving full particulars of experience. Schaum & Uhlinger Philadelphia.

STATE, COUNTY AND CITY RIGHTS for sale. Process for cleaning carpets on the floor. Removes all dust, grease, soot, etc.; destroys moths, restores color without injury to carpets. Excellent paying business for small capital. Particulars by addressing, Original Carpet Renovating Co., 2248 Van Pelt St., Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—Two furnished bed rooms and a third room for light housekeeping purposes. Moderate rent. S. D. Chadwick, 193 Essex street, Lawrence.

WANTED—Good man to take agency for Dirigo cream in Lowell and vicinity. Address, Dirigo Creamery Co., Beverly, Mass.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home. No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Fern Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—4 room flat at 634 Broadway.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 821 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny rooms newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

WANTED—500 Ladies to call at the Union Supply, 65 Merrimack street, up one flight, room 2, to get dressed in good style. The best of garments, mackintoshes, dresses, wrappers and millinery. Cash or credit. Lowest of prices. Over Central Savings bank.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share, must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1804, Boston.

FOR SALE—Near Chelmsford street. Good cottage house, near mills. Price, $1000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—A position as stenographer and typewriter; experienced; mercantile or legal work; can give good recommendation; also good references. Address R, Sun office, Lowell, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, 7 room cottage house, in good repair, 8 minutes walk to mills. This is a bargain. Price, $1800. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, a two-tenement house near new bridge. This is an excellent chance to buy a home and on easy terms. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Athan Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—Just the place you want to make money on a 4 tenement block in Belvidere. Pays 12 per cent. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c., stamps, for particulars, "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

DR. CATON'S TANSY PILLS for Ladies never fail. Get the genuine and avoid disappointment. $1, all druggists or direct. DR. E. F. CATON, Boston, Mass.

FOR SALE—Good boarding and lodging house near John street. All new furniture and in good shape, 50 boarders. This is an excellent location for business. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelope. Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—600 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 475 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

SAVOY THEATRE
Kendal Weston, Ma…

Week Beginning Monday, Dec.

Benefit of Lowell Lodge, No. 87, … P. O. Elks.

LAST TWO PERFORMANCE…

The Savoy Theatre Co., in the Greatest … Farce Comedies,

"BABIE"

Mr. Weston as "Babie."

Matinee prices, Lower Floor 25c., … 15c. Evening prices 15, 25, 35 … Box seats 75c.
Evenings at 8 o'clock. Wed… and Saturday Matinees at 2.30. … at 10.30 p. m. Seats on sale at Theatre … week in advance. Box office open fr… a. m. to 9.30 p. m. Telephone 606-5. … ets will be reserved until within 15 m… of time of performance.

NEXT WEEK—Robertson's … Comedy, "CASTE."

Music Hal…

Dec. 10, 11 and 12th.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with … urday matinee.

ROBIE'S BOHEMIAN BURLESQU…

Acknowledged by both press and pub… be the best, neatest, brightest and fun… Burlesque show on the road. Continu… laugh from beginning to ending of perf… ance. It drives away the blues.

Dec. 14, 15, 16th.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, … Wednesday Matinee, the Big Realisti… duction,

"KIDNAPPED"

With DAVID HIGGINS as "OUR … MAN FRIEND."

A vivid picture of New York … vigorous, thrilling and picture… Realistic and sensational effec… carload of special scenery.

FIRST APPEARANCE IN L…

Of the Original

NANA …

PRAISED BY ALL LA…

A rare vision of perfect femi… is coming to Lowell and will … hibition from 9 a. m. till 10 p. m.

RUSSIAN HALL, Urba…

(Rear of Old City Hall)

For a few days only, co…

MONDAY, De…

125,000 people attended th… Nana during the brilliant … 30 weeks in Boston, includi… best known Ladies and Gent… highly-cultured city. Nana … hibited in every quarter of … globe, and has been unanimo… by press, People and Critics … be the most wonderful picture … It is from the brush of Marcel … sky, of the St. Petersburg A… famous of the great school of … istic artists.

There is but one Nana, and … other Picture like it.

ADMISSION

9 a. m. till 5 p. m.,
5 p. m. till 10 p. m.

THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:05; sets, 4:12.
Length of day—9:07.
Moon sets—Morn.
Full sea—5:15 a. m.; 5:30 p. m.
Forecast for New England: Generally fair; slightly warmer in northern portion; northerly winds, shifting to southerly.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance, Donovan bl'd.

The commissioner whose term expires next is Harry R. Rice of the Citizen.

The committee on salaries met last evening but adjourned till this evening without doing any business.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin the 1018 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone conection.

The Blues won the turkey supper in the junior's membership contest. Supper for the contesting sides next Monday, Dec. 14, at 6 o'clock.

Smokers', attention is called to misleading imitations of the popular 7-20-4 10c. cigar. See that every cigar is branded 7-20-4, which is a guarantee of imported filled and wrapper and strictly hand-made.

The employes of the water works department while digging in the vicinity of the Cook wells, near Ayer city recently unearthed an iron hand force pump in good condition seven feet below the surface.' It did not appear to be very ancient.

Lawler, the stationer, calls attention in his adv. today to the new book he has just published, entitled "Picturesque Lowell," and containing 16 views of Lowell. The price is 25 cents. Just the thing to send to your out of town friends. 79 Merrimack and 15 John streets.

Next Wednesday night Dec. 16, the Y. M. C. A. tenders a reception to the young people's societies of the churches of the city at their rooms on Hurd street. There is to be a gymnasium exhibition and music. Refreshments are to be served. The young people of the city are cordially invited.

£ Xmas Drafts £.

For sale payable in Ireland, England and Scotland at Murphy's agency, 18 Appleton street. 25 years in the business.

Ma inee at the Savoy.

This afternoon and evening the Savoy comedy success of "Babie" with Mr. Weston in the title role, will receive its last presentations. It is a most laughable and enjoyable performance and cannot help make the auditor feel that he winds up his week happy at least.

Board of Police.

At a special meeting of the board of police, Friday afternoon, Michael J. Connihan was appointed a special police officer for Associate building.

Corneilius H. Reagan, 447 Worthen street, and Joseph Paquette, 472 Moody were granted licenses for common victuallers.

SOME CRISP GOSSIP.

Here is a squib from the Springfield Union:

Wanted—Any old political job. Having been repeatedly disappointed in my aspirations during the past few months, I am now prepared to consider offers from any quarter. All communications to Mr. Manytitles, general delivery, Springfield, will receive prompt attention.

BOWLING NEWS.

In the Highland club tournament last night Team Eight defeated Team Three 2338 to 2146.

Teams one and Ten played in the Vesper club tournament last evening and the former won 2294 to 2073.

The Merrimacks won from the Olympics on the Olympic alleys 2259 to 2238.

OFFENSIVE BILL BOARDS

Denounced By the Ministers' Union of Lowell.

There is a crusade started against the new bills on bill boards. Yesterday afternoon the Ministers' union adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, many of the pictures exhibited on the bill boards of the city are offensive to our people and calculated to injure the youth of our city, we the ministers of Lowell do hereby protest against such exhibitions as offensive and indecent, and hereby request the mayor and city government to take such action as may be necessary to prevent such displays.

B. & M. EMPLOYES MEET

SMOKE TALK ENJOYED IN JACKSON HALL.

Boys Entertained Some Prominent Railroad Men.

A mass meeting of the employes of the Boston and Maine railroad residing in this vicinity, was held in Jackson hall, last evening, for the purpose of receiving instructions relative to the work of the claims department of the road.

About 150 were present. Agent H. C. Thilled to order, and the first address was by Edgar J. Rich, claims attorney of the road, who instructed them as to the matter of reporting accidents. He was followed by E. M. Greer, claims agent of the western division located at Boston. ... C. Blood of this city made a brief address.

Prior to the meeting an elaborate banquet was enjoyed at the American house by the following officials: Claims Attorney Edgar J. Rich of Boston, Claim Agent ... Grover of Boston and John C. ... of Lowell, General Agent Taft, ... Clark, Wallace G. Parkin General ... Master O. S. Greeley, Master ... Alden I. Clifford, Road Master ... Pickney, F. E. Bascom, Yard Master ... Judd, Yard Master W. B. ... and Depot Master Master O. A. ... After supper there was a general discussion of railroad matters.

Card of Thanks.

... Ann Riley wish to return their sincere thanks to all their friends and neighbors who kindly assisted them in the hour of their ... words of consolation and also for the floral offerings to the memory of their daughter, Alice, and it is their sincere ... it may be many years before the death will fall upon any of their ...

PHILIP AND ANN RILEY.

Coal Hods Given Away.

... a coal hod we have got lots of them ... you one with a pound of our high ... Dickson Bros., 68 Merrimack street.

... bles bowling alleys and billiard hall ... East Merrimack street.

Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

The Remedy with a Record.

50 Years of Cures

THE NEW CHARTER

Elaborate Opinion of it by B. D. O'Connell, Esq.

HE HOLDS THAT THE APPOINTING POWER

Is Vested by Right in The Mayor.

In the subjoined article Bernard D. O'Connell, Esq., one of the fighting lawyers of our city gives his interpretation of the now much discussed section of the new charter, affecting the relative powers of the mayor and city council. He holds that the mayor has full power to appoint the heads of departments. He says:

Every lawyer whose opinion is of any weight and who is not biased in the matter agrees, that the first section of the amended charter gives the mayor the power of appointing every official of the city, which the city council or either branch has heretofore elected, except of course, the president and clerk of the common council and chairman of board of aldermen. But to meet any doubts uninformed or biased people may have on the subject, let us look at it impartially and give reasons or authority for the above conclusion. The whole question turns on the words "executive powers," and what that includes, That brings at once to the mind of the lawyer, Part I, Art. XXX of the Constitution of Massachusetts which provides that "the legislative department shall never exercise the executive and judicial powers, or either of them; the executive shall never exercise the legislative and judicial powers, or either of them; the judicial shall never exercise the legislative and executive powers, or either of of them; to the end it may be a government of laws and not men."

Then the constitution proceeds to point out the executive powers, legislative powers and judicial powers. The executive power includes governor, lieutenant governor, council, secretary, treasurer, receiver general, auditor and attorney general. It also includes sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, coroners and all others that are engaged in carrying into execution the laws made by the legislative department and decisions and orders of the judicial department. It is the same in the national government, the executive power being the president, and his cabinet, and all the minor offices under each of the cabinet officers. The president speaks and acts through the acts of the heads of departments in reference to the business committed to them. Wilcox vs. Jackson, B. Pet. (U. S.) 498; J. S. vs. Cutler, 2 Curt. (U. S. Cir.) 617; Lockington vs. Smith, 1 Pet. C. C. (U. S.) 466. In England the executive power is the prime minister and his cabinet and their subordinates. In the city council, including aldermen and common council, are the legislative departments. The mayor and heads of the various departments and their subordinates comprise the executive departments. But the question comes on, what executive powers has the city council or either branch heretofore exercised? The election of president of the council or its clerk would not be, as they are part of its legislative work and necessary to carry out that work.

But the election or appointment of officers or agents to carry out out the statutes or ordinances or the city's business was clearly the exercise of executive power. It certainly was not legislative or judicial, and therefore must be executive.

But that it was the exercise of "executive powers" was definitely settled by our own Supreme Judicial court in 1873, in the case of supervisors of election, 114 Mass., 247. The question came directly before the court whether the appointment of executive officers was an exercise of executive or judicial or legislative power, and the Supreme court was unanimously of opinion that it was executive power, and, therefore, that they could not exercise it under the constitution of Massachusetts. The points are stated very clearly in the following extracts from the opinion delivered by Chief Justice Gray:

"This application is made under the St. of 1873, chap. 376, sec. 1, which provides as follows: Whenever prior to an election, five legal voters of any ward of a city shall make known in writing to a justice of the Supreme Judicial court, in term time or vacation, their desire to have such election guarded and scrutinized, it shall be the duty of such justice, upon such notice as he shall deem meet, or without notice, prior to such election, to appoint and commission two legal voters of such ward, who shall be of different political parties, and shall be known and designated as supervisors of election. Before entering upon the duties of their office, the said supervisors shall be duly sworn to the faithful and impartial discharge of the same.

"As the application appeared to involve a grave question of constitutional law, and a similar application might, according to the terms of the statute, be presented to a justice of this court at any time, the matter has been argued before five of the judges, and our brethren who could not attend at the argument, have taken part in the consultation."

"The intention of the legislature is clearly expressed that supervisors of election should be

Appointed by the Justices of This Court.

The question is whether the statute is constitutional."

"The people of Massachusetts, warned by experience of the inconveniences and dangers arising from the vesting of incompatible powers in the same persons under the royal government while this state was an English province, have made most careful provision for separating the three great departments of government, and for removing the judiciary, and especially this court, from political influences of every kind, as far as possible."

"The final article of the declaration of rights declares that in the government of this commonwealth the legislative department shall never exercise the

Executive

and judicial powers or either of them; the executive shall never exercise the legislative or judicial powers, or either of them; the judicial shall never exercise the executive or legislative powers, or either of them; to the end it may be a government of laws and not of men."

"These Supervisors,

although entrusted with a certain discretion in the performance of their duties

Are Strictly Executive Officers."

We are unanimously of opinion that the power of appointing such officers cannot be conferred upon the justices of this court without violating the constitution of the commonwealth. We cannot exercise this power as judges, because it is not a judicial function; nor as commissioners, because the constitution does not allow us to hold any such office." To arrive at the above decision two things were necessary for the court to find: 1st, that the supervisors were executive officers; 2d, that their appointment was the exercise of executive power. Otherwise the statute would not be unconstitutional.

This is also in accord with the decisions of other states to the effect that the appointment and removal from office is the exercise of executive power, except of those officers which are incidental and necessary to carry on the legislative and judicial business.

The power of appointing and removing subordinate executive officers is generally, by the American constitutions, vested in the chief executive. In re Farrow 4 Woods (U. S. Circ.) 491.

An appointment to office by the executive is complete upon delivery of the commission. Weatherbee vs. Cazneau, 20 Cal. 503, but a commission is not necessary to the appointment of an officer by the executive, as it is only evidence of an appointment. Warbury vs. James Madison, (Sup. court of U. S., 1 Cranch 137).

There is no way that Mayor Courtney can get a judicial interpretation of the charter, unless some one wants to contest his appointments; the Supreme Judicial court will not give any interpretation, except in deciding a case regularly brought before them. But no interpretation is necessary, and let Mayor Courtney go ahead and appoint his officers and if any one of them wants to contest it let him do it. It is very doubtful if the legislature could give the city council the power of appointing or electing these officers, and sound lawyers doubt if that part of the original charter giving them the power was constitutional, as the government of cities is certainly a part of government of the commonwealth.

COMMUNICATION.

Editor Sun:

Dear Sir:—Would you kindly express through your columns my heartfelt thanks to the democracy of Lowell for the high compliment paid me in the magnificent vote in Tuesday's election. Although defeated the vote that was rendered far exceeded my expectations especially when we take into consideration the circumstances in my case, viz: Unknown by the body of the electors, not long in the party and without the means or the opportunity to push my election by influence or otherwise.

HENRY HAMER.

A Pool Game.

Andy Donahue, the pool expert of Gorham street, defeated a crack player named Hayes yesterday by a score of 100 to 62 and is looking for challenges.

Absolutely Pure.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

The Careful Housewife will use no other.

MOODY STREET BRIDGE.

Opened to the Public—The Approaches Not Yet Completed.

The Moody street bridge has been open for travel for two weeks, yet the Pawtucketville side of the road is impassable, the Locks and Canals Co. not having completed the grading of that portion of the roadway.

CHALIFOUX'S

Store now filled with an immense assortment of Staple and Holiday Merchandise.

Full Line of Useful and Beautiful Holiday Novelties.

Smoking Jackets
Holiday Slippers
Handkerchiefs
Umbrellas
Neckwear
Jewelry

Gold Watches Worth $15 to $20 at $4.98 and $5.98.

REMEMBER, after tonight not a single Watch will be sold at these prices.

J. L. CHALIFOUX,
49 to 59 Central Street.

"Chill winds may blow and wintry snows lie deep,
What reck we of the loss of summer's flowers;
The strains of mirth and wind their chorus keep
And music and fair speech beguile the hours."

You will enjoy every festive occasion better if you wear a **DRESS SUIT** made by

Louis Alexander,
Formerly of Fifth Ave., New York.
Importer and Tailor, No. 65 Central Street.

Is Your Stable Crowded

And more room is needed for your Sleighs?
The best of storage can be had of

THE Sawyer Carriage Co.
Kitson Building, Worthen St.

A Well Established Profitable Business,
ON MERRIMACK STREET FOR SALE AT
SANBORN & DONOVAN'S
Room 1, Swan's Block, Central street. Bad debts of all kinds collected. Telephone 86-4.

Liver Ills

Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work easily and thoroughly.

Hood's Pills

Best after dinner pills. 25 cents. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pill to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

MONEY SAVERS FOR ALL.

Our Wear Resisting, Comforting Giving

SHOES.

EAGLE SHOE STORE
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J. J. LONERGAN, Prop.

You Have Struck the Right Place
When you have found
PETER WATSON'S
Celebrated Bakeries
For if you are looking for the best quality of bakers' supplies, you are always sure to get the best when trading at either of his stores, which are located at
52, to 60 Charles Street, and 465 Lawrence Street.
If you desire he will supply your wants by calling at your home. Parties and weddings a specialty.

Pain-Killer.
(PERRY DAVIS'.)
A Sure and Safe Remedy in every case and every kind of Bowel Complaint is
Pain-Killer.
This is a true statement and it can't be made too strong or too emphatic.
It is a simple, safe and quick cure for
Cramps, Cough, Rheumatism, Colic, Colds, Neuralgia, Diarrhoea, Croup, Toothache.
TWO SIZES, 25c. and 50c.

MOODY STREET BRIDGE HOUSE LOTS.

New Bridge will be completed in a few days. The electric road is being laid across the bridge. Sewers, gas, city water, etc. 70 houses have been built in the last 8 months, and a large number are being built at the present time. Don't delay, choice lots are going quick, prices are low, only 10, 12 and 15c. per foot, easy monthly payments. Call for plans, terms etc. On the land every afternoon.

A. J. RYAN, Agt.
Room 22A Hildreth Building (Old Post Office)

THE O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE COMPANY.

LAST DAY OF THE INVINCIBLE

HOLIDAY DIVIDEND SALE

Always aggressive and progressive. Grand achievements in underbuying and underselling. Values which electrified the people all week will be continued today. For instance:

25c Dress Goods, 9c a Yd. **Merrimack Prints, 2½c a Yd.**
China Silks, 14c a Yd. **Crashes, 1½c a Yd.** **White Bed Spreads, 45c**
Dress Ginghams, 3c a Yd. **China and Japan Mattings, 8c Yd.**

We are bound to set a standard of values by which all bargains of the future must be measured. Our distinct step toward lower prices teaches a bargain lesson the people are anxious and eager to learn. Other lots of goods at abnormally low prices.

Colored Dress Goods.

Four Great Bargains.

30 pieces of Serges, Mixtures and Checks, sold to date at 39 and 50c., down to 25c. per yard.

40 pieces of Novelties in two-toned effects, changeable, only 39c. a yard.

45 pieces of all wool Henrietta and Serges, all colors, together with a beautiful line of curled novelty all wool Checks and Plaids, marked down to 19c. per yard.

50-inch, all new colors and black Broadcloth; also lot of German novelties in self-coloring and two-toned effects. $1.50 goods at 75c. per yard.

Cloakings and Astrachans Marked down for Friday and Saturday to prices that must certainly clear them up.

Christmas Fans.

A beautiful assortment of Spangled Fans, 75c. to $5.00 each.

White Satin and Feather Fans, 98c. to $3.00 each.

Misses' Fans in great variety, including White Satin, Spangle and Feather Fans in Pink, Blue, Yellow and White.

Furniture Department.

We are still selling Morris chairs with All Hair Cushions at $4.75 and $5.98 each.

Several Bargain Lots of

Handkerchiefs Today.

Children's Printed Border Handkerchiefs, 1c., 2c., 3c., 4c., and 5c. each.

Children's Fancy Box Handkerchiefs, 15c., 19c., 25c. per box.

Gent's Printed Border Handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.

Gent's Tape Border Handkerchiefs, 6 for 25c.

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, 3 for 25c.

1 lot Ladies' Colored Handkerchiefs, 10c. each.

1 lot of Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, 10c. each.

Silk and Cashmere Mufflers 33c. each.

1 lot of Fancy Silk and Gauze Handkerchiefs, an extraordinary bargain at 12 1-2c each.

Toilet Dept.

1 lot of Celluloid Comb and Tray Sets, $1.98 each.

Atomizer Sets in Fancy Glass and China $2.50 each.

1 lot of Baby Celluloid Sets, at $1.98 each.

1 lot Celluloid Brush Broom Holders 25c. each.

Combs, Brushes, and Trays in Aluminum at ridiculously low prices today.

Ladies' Gloves.

Your attention is directed to our line of $1 Glace and Pique Gloves in the newest and most fashionable colorings and choice embroidered points, absolutely reliable or money refunded, or new ones instead.

Half Hose.

Special Inducements for Friday and Saturday.

Genuine 2-Thread Gray Merino and Hermsdorf Black Cotton 1-2 Hose, 4-Thread heal and toe, best value ever offered, at 12 1-2 cents each.

A Tremendous Mark-down Sale of

Winter Cloaks.

Any Garment in Our Stock Today and Tomorrow at Half Price.

If you want a Jacket or Cape in cloth or fur, up to date in every way, call on us Friday or Saturday. We will sell you garments as low as you usually buy them in February when the season is over. It is like finding money to buy garments at our prices today.

Upholstery Dept.

1 lot of Lace Draperies sold to date 59c., down to 25c a pair.

1 lot of Irish Point Laces sold to date $4.25, down to $2.98 a pair.

1 lot of Japanese Crepe sold to date 15c., down to 8c. a yard.

1 lot of Fish Net, 50 inches wide, sold to date 35c., down to 19c. a yard.

1 lot of Tapestry Portierers, sold to date $4.50, down to $2.98 a pair.

1 lot of Couch Covers, sold to date $3.50, down to $2.50 each.

Art Department

Gold Embroidered Silk Scarfs, 29c. each.

Gold Embroidered Table Scarfs, $1.49 each.

Gold Embroidered Silk Lambrequins, $2.49 each.

1 lot of Fancy Table Covers, 25c. each.

1 lot of Stamped Denim Table Covers, 39c. each.

1 lot of Fancy Photograph Holders, 98c. each.

Pretty Linens

At Little Prices.

Hemmed and Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 50c. kind, 29c. each.

All Linen Tray Cloths stamped in elegant designs, 25c. kind, 12 1-2c. each.

Imported plain and stamped Hemstitched Tray Cloths, 85c. kind, 35c. each.

45-inch Full Bleached Fringe Towels at 10c. each.

25c. Towels, 12 1-2c. each.

50c. Towels 25c. each.

Gloves

1 lot of Lined Kid Gloves, reduced from $1 and $1.25 to 75 cents a pair.

Children's

Misses All Wool Hose, sizes 6 to 8, 25c. quality, only 12 1-2c. a pair.

Misses' Harvard Mill Jerseys, Vest and Pants, 39c. goods, 25c. each.

Boys' genuine two-thread Black Fleeced Hose, double knees, a good school hose, 19 cents a pair.

Basement Department

We wish to direct attention to desirable things in China for Xmas gifts.

Chocolate Sets, 15 pieces, only $4.98 each.

Tete-a-Tete Sets, 14 pieces, only $4.98 each.

Fish sets of 13 pieces, only $6.98 each.

Tea sets of 9 pieces only $2.98 each.

Ice Cream sets, 13 pieces, only $4.39.

These sets are the very finest productions of china and prices are way down.

Special Reductions

1 lot of Glace Kid Gloves in grey, cream, white and black, 75 cent quality, 49 cents a pair.

1 lot of Glace and Suede Mosquetaire Kid Gloves, plain and fancy points, $1.25 quality, reduced to 69 cents a pair.

1 lot of Lined Kid Mittens, extra quality, 49 cents a pair.

Hosiery and Knit Underwear

Ladies.

100 dozen extra heavy weight Jersey Vests and Pants, vest made with crochet necks and real silk facing, drawers finished with self-colored satine bands. We consider this great value at 29c. each.

100 dozen Black and Grey Woolen Hose Merino Heels and Toes, sold everywhere at 25c., only 12 1-2c. a pair.

Broken lots of Jersey Vests and Pants, 25c. quality, only 12 1-2c. each.

Leather Goods, Pocket Books and Boston Bags,

A Specialty.

1 lot of Boston Bags 10 inch and 11 inch cloth sides, leatherette linings, the best value in the market at 50c. each.

1 lot of Combination Pocketbooks, (black only) Sterling silver corners, extraordinary value at 25 cents each.

1 lot of Boston Bags, cloth, good quality, leather lining with side pockets, sold everywhere $1.50, only 98 cents each.

Jewelry.

Enameled Stick Pins 10c. each.

Enameled Brooches 25c. each.

Solid Gold Brooches $1.00 to $2.50 each.

Sterling Silver Pencils 50c. each.

Rolled Gold Baby Pins 17c. each.

Rolled Gold Brooches 50c. each.

Gold Mounted Tooth Picks 25 cents each.

Sterling Silver Penholders, 69c. each.

Solid and Rolled Gold Stick Pins, 50c. to $2 each.

Gent's Shirt Front Sets (gold), 50c to $2 per set.

Gent's Cuff Buttons, silver or gold, 50c. to $1.50 a pair.

Sterling Silver Chain Bracelets, $1.50 to $2.75.

Underwear.

600 pieces of White Merino Shirts and Drawers, $1 goods, 50c. each.

Men's Furnishings.

Holiday Suggestions. Useful Christmas Gifts.

Fancy Night Shirts 50 cents to $1.00 each.

Fancy Suspenders, boxed, 50 cents to $1.50 each.

Fancy Armlets, boxed, 10 cents to $1.50 each.

Cardigan Jackets $1.00 to $2.75 each.

Boys' and Men's Sweaters 98 cents to $4.50 each.

Silk Mufflers 50 cents to $2.00 each.

Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 75 cents to $2 each.

Men's Half Hose, cotton, cashmere and wool, 12 1-2 to 50 cents a pair.

Laundered Shirts, open and closed front, 75 cents to $1 each.

Laundered Shirts, fancy fronts, extra quality, large assortment, $1 each.

Unlaundered Shirts.

300 Unlaundered White Shirts, linen bosoms and wrist bands, open and closed fronts, reinforced fronts and backs, rare value, at 30c. each.

1 lot Fancy Bosom Laundered Shirts, with 1 pair of Cuffs, reduced from $1 to 69c. each.

2 Bargain Lots of

Gingham Aprons.

1 lot of good quality Gingham Aprons, 15c. kind at 10c. each.

1 lot of extra large size Gingham Aprons, a very great bargain, at 15c each.

The Christmas Department of Lowell is in Our Basement.

TOYS hold sway with musical instruments and other Holiday Goods. **GAMES** and **DOLLS** have ample space with counter after counter of givable things. **ROCKING HORSES** and **SLEDS**, with many other attractive things, suitable for Christmas giving, will be found in abundance. Remember that the Christmas Department of Lowell is in our Basement.